AMONG THE

Official Records of Eastern Baseball Players.

Opening of the Curling Season in This City.

Boxing at Buffalo-Racing on the New Orleans and Oakland Tracks-Judge Dixon on Prize Fights.

BASEBALL.

THE BUFFALOS. Buffalo, Jan. 6.—"Billy" Nash, ex-manager of the Philadelphia National League club, has signed a contract as manager of the Buffalo team in the

Western League. EASTERN LEAGUE RECORDS.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 6.—The Eastern League Association circuit committee met at the Kenmore Hotel here yesterday to discuss applications for franchises. Albany's application was favorably considered, but no action was taken. The meeting adjourned till next Tuesday.

The Eastern Baseball League has

just compiled the official records of the players for 1898. Records are not taken of players who took part in less than fifteen games. In batting, Cassidy, of the Providence team, has the lead, with a percentage of 335. He played, how-ever, in only 67 games. Weight is sec-ond, and Smink third. Freeman, of Toronto, led among the players who took part in 122 games, with a percentage of .347. Of the veteran league players, Brouthers, Householder, Pickett, Hemming and Earl finished well up. Of the catchers, Burrill, of Springfield, is credited with doing the best work, having a percentage of .965, Gunson, of Rochester, is only one point behind, while Jacklitz, Diggins and Duncan are tied for third place. Goeckel, of Wilkesbarre, leads the first basemen with .986; Dooley is second and Beaumont third. Stouch, of Providence, leads the second basemen with .970; Eagan is second and Atherton third. Coughlin, of Wilkesbarre, leads the third basemen, with .951; Casey is second and Jud Smith third. Among the shortstops, Hanavin, who played in both Syracuse and Toronto, leads with .915; Cooney is second and Gleason third. Among the outfielders, Knight, of Ottawa, and Wilkesbarre, leads with an average of .979; Hanivan is second, and Noblit Among the pitchers, Brown, of Buffalo, played in the largest number of games, 40; Williams, of Toronto has the best percentage, .976; Baker and Abbey come next.

CURLING.

AFTER THE CLUB MEDAL. The first of a series of matches between the skips of the Forest City Curling Club for the club medal was played at the Simoe street rink last night. The ice was good. The score was as follows:

W. Deeks. C. H. Ward. C. H. Tune, C. E. Sterling, J. W. MacIntosh, skip.....14 J. Mattinson, Alf. Talbot, skip.....10

Majority for MacIntosh, 4. IN THE FISTIC ARENA.

month ago. He said:

"There is one other offense which has been brought to the attention of the court, and which deserves mention. It said that in one of the clubs or halls in the city of Paterson some time last fall there was a prize fight in which one of the combatants was quite severely injured. There has come to be a sort of notion abroad that you have only to dub a prize fight a boxing match and you rid it of all criminality. If the purpose is to inflict injury or bring about the disability of each other. It is a fight; and the mere fact that the combatants enter upon it willingly makes no difference. The men in an innocent boxing match do the same, but their their purpose is not to injure or bring about the disability of each other. And everybody who was in any way interested in promoting that prize fight was likewise guilty, and they should be all indicted. It makes no difference whether it was carried h in a respectable place and before resp. ttable pople, or whether it was carried n by rowdies before rowdies."

BOXING IN BUFFALO Buffalo, Jan. 6 .- Boxing was revived

Too Weak To Work.

Two years ago Mrs. A. Walton, Sunny Brae, N.S., was so weak she couldn't do her housework. B. B. B. restored her health and strength, and she's been perfectly well since.

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Mrs. A. Walton, of Sunny Brae, Pictou Co., N.S., is one of those who have been permanently cured by B.B.B. Recently she wrote the following account of her case:

"Two years ago I was completely run down. I remember on one occasion, when I arrived home from the gold mines at Fifteen Mile Creek, I was so weak Lould scarcely sweep a room. At any rate in doing my housework I would have to sit down and rest every few minutes. I had no appetite and began to be alarmed at my condition. I was not only weak but very short of breath. Finally I tried Burdock Blood Bitters. I took two bottles, and soon my appetite improved, and I became strong and well. It is now two years since I took the B.B.B., and I have remarned in good health since. I hope that all who feel weak and worn out will try B.B.B., as I am convinced it will not fail to effect s oure."

in this city last night after an interval of several months, the last attempt at a contest being the memorable Erne-Lavigne fiasco. At the Olympic Club Lavigne fiasco. At the Olympic Club last night, before a small crowd, three bouts were pulled off. The principal event was a 20-round go between Thos. Kennedy and Jack Falvey, lightweights, both of this city. It ended in a draw. There was no interference on the part of the police.

TURF. AT OAKLAL

San Francisco, Jan. 6. — Weather clear and track heavy at Oakland yes-First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Don Garra 1, Gratify 2, Grandazia 3. Time.

Second race, selling, 6 furlongs—Horatio 1, Sevey 2, Paul Kruger 3. Time,

Third race, selling, 5 furlongs—Rey Hooker 1, Good Hope 2, Malay 3. Time,

Fourth race, selling, 1 mile — Dun Praise 1, Cross Molina 2, Ulm 3. Time,

Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Mamie G. 1, Dr. Bernais 2, Stamina 3. Time, 1:44. Sixth race, selling, Futurity course—Coda 1, Laroma 2, Ricardo 3. Time,

AT NEW ORLEANS. New Orleans, Jan. 6.-Yesterday was the 37th day of the jockey club's winter meeting. Showery; track heavy. First race, 7 furlongs—Belle of Memphis 1, Banish 2, David 3. Time, 1:13. Second race, selling, 6 furlongs—Mor-ini 1, Minnie Weldon 2, Henrica 3. Time,

Third race, selling, 1 mile and a quarter-Possum 1, Babe Fields 2, Lakeview Palace 2. Time, 2:1514.

Fourth race, selling, 1 mile—Guide Rock 1, Basquil 2, Pinkey Potter 3.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 20 yards—Ox-nard 1, Dalgretti 2, School Girl 3. Time,

NOTES OF SPORTS.

Sharkey refuses to have George Siler for referee. Toronto papers credit Director Soole with being in Detroit talking baseball, but he has not been seen by the De-

troit magnate. Curlers are wondering what will be in store for them on Jan. 23 and 24, when the bonspiels are held at Windsor and Detroit. Last year the visitors found nothing but slush in Detroit. Pugilist-Actor Jack Burke got knocked out in a new way the other night on Breadway. He was looking for trouble, and kicked up a row with a saloon-keeper, who picked up a sword and hit Burke across the head with it. To make matters more binding, the policeman arrested Burke for starting the

POLITICAL

West Elgin Nomination-Charge of Impersonation Laid.

At Dutton on Thursday Mr. Donald Macnish was nominated to contest the riding as the Reform standard bearer, and Mr. F. G. Macdiarmid as the Conservative candidate.

A report is in circulation at Ottawa that Wm. Hutchinson, M.P., is to be appointed postmaster of Ottawa in place of Mr. Gouin.

Mr. John Taylor (white), a Macnish voter, who was entitled to vote in St. Thomas at the last election, but did not because John Taylor (colored), a JUDGE DIXON ON PRIZE FIGHTS. Vote, and who voted under the name Paterson, N. ., Jan. 6.-Judge Dixon, of the real and the white John Taylor, in charging the grand jury, referred to has laid an information against the the McFadden-Becker prize fight of a colored John Taylor, charging him with impersonation.

BANNER.

Banner, Jan. 6.-The feasibility of erecting a commodious school house commensurate with the times is engaging the attention of the wise men of village. Thomas Loughin is collecting mate-

rial for the transformation of his outbuildings into bank barns. John Spearman banqueted the teachers and officers of the Sunday school

last week, when a most enjoyable time Robert Gordon will build a comfortable residence, in view of an anticipated domestic occurrence.

John Armstrong entertained 30 couples of the elite of the vicinity to a house warming recently, when Scotch reels were indulged in. Currie Bros., Derwent, furnished the music.

Messrs. Thomas Brown and Edward Elliott are making preparations for the construction of bank barns of large dimensions. Miss Empy is re-engaged as teacher

for the ensuing year, at a salary of The Banner Literary Society is prepared to try conclusions with any of

the kindred societies in a test of orthography, or in discussing leading ques-

A grand assembly was held at the residence of Mr. James Sutherland last week, when about 40 couples participated in the dance and festivities. The Currie Bros., of Derwent, furnished good music.

BELMONT.

Belmont, Jan. 6.-The interment of the late Neal Brown occurred Wednesday from the family residence to Stewart's cemetery. Rev. John Currie, pas-tor, conducted the services at the house and grave. The casket was borne by Messrs. Hugh McTavish, Archibald Taylor, John McNichol, Wm. Abbott, Colin Taylor and A. York.

A week of prayer is being observed in Knox and Kilmartin congregations. Messrs. Thomas Young, of Derwent, and Thomas McCord, rising your f students of Knox College, Toro o, are assisting the pastor, Rev. John Currie. A flock of turkeys were purloined from the premises of Walker McKellar recently, but the birds were subse-

quently recovered. Miss Sarah Brown, of Huron county, Michigan, has arrived at her maternal

Robert McCord, of Guelph, wife and family, are rusticating at Elder Mc-

Mr. and Mrs. McDougal, of Botteneau, are at Mr. Wm. Hare's, Yarmouth.

PUTNAM

Putnam, Jan. 6.—The residence of John W. Collins was the scene of a beautiful event on Dec. 28, being the marriage of his daughter, Bertha May, to Arthur E. Sn.all. The bride wore a costume of cream cashmere, with lace and carnations. Miss Alice Small officiated as bridesmaid, while George Collins supported the groom. Rev. Mr. Mahan, of Dorchester Station, performed the ceremony, in the presence of about 75 of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties. At the conclusion of the congratulations and festivities, the bridal pair left for St. Thomas, where they were entertained to a re-ception. Thence they continued their journy to Detroit, to while away the honeymoon. The house was beautifully

HOT TIMES

Ottawa Has a \$40,000 Blaze in a Dairy Establishment.

Destructive Fires at Cobourg, St. Hyacinthe and Other Points.

Ottawa, Jan. 6 .- The barns, stables, sheds, carriage sheds, together with carriages, machinery, total crop of grain, hay, etc., belonging to J. G. Clarke, dairyman, on the Richmond road, near Britannia, were completely destroyed by fire on Wednesday.Loss estimated at about \$40,000; partly covered by insurance. Mr. Clarke has been singularly unfortunate lately, as last summer, when the tuberculosis disease was so prevalent, he lost several thousand dollars in cattle, which had

to be destroyed because affected.

St. Hyacinthe, Que., Jan. 6.—Fire yesterday completely destroyed the buildings of the gas and electric light works. Loss, about \$10,000.

Thornhill, Man., Jan. 6.—Yesterday afternoon, while Mr. and Mrs. Bond were attending a wedding their house caught fire and was burned to the caught fire and was burned to the ground, together with the contents.

Port Robinson, Ont., Jan. 6. — Mrs. M. A. Bennett's large frame hotel, the Bennet House, was completely destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is very heavy, as there was no insurance.
Belleville, Ont., Jan. 6. — Calvin
Hoard's barn in Rawdon was burned. with all its contents. Insured for

Cobourg, Ont., Jan. 6.-The Victoria brewery, owned by Bickel & Healey, was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Loss on contents, about \$8,-000; insured for \$2,000; loss on buildings, about \$12,000; insured for \$5,000. The cause was evidently incendiary. An attempt was made to burn the brewery a few months ago.

Catonsville, Md., Jan. 6.—Grace Fuller, aged 10, John Wesley, aged 3, and the latter's infant brother were burned to death at Catonsville, during the absence of their parents.

ELOPED WITH THE HIRED MAN

A Wealthy Farmer's Daughter Creates Commotion Among Her Acquaintances.

Toronto, Jan. 6 .- There is much excitement in the adjoining townships of East Gwillimbury and Scott, in the counties of York and Ontario, and the reason is that before the robin or the spring, Patrick Johnston's fancy lightly turned to thoughts of love. Patrick is a farmer, or, rather, a hired man aged 21, and not unprepossessing, and Mary Risebrough, daughter of a wealthy farmer of Scott, is 16 and fair.

During the summer Patrick worked in the vicinity of Mount Albert, and frequently wandered towards the Risebrough farm, on the first concession of Scott, just east of Mount Albert village. Recently the parental Risebrough, all unsuspecting, hired Patrick to work around his place.

Now the worthy farmer is minus his daughter and his hiren man, and is as one distracted. Johnson is a Roman Catholic, and the Risebroughs are Protestants, and this makes things more interesting to the Mount Albert and Scott township residents.

STRATHROY. [Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.]

Strathroy, Jan. 6 .- On Tuesday afternoon last a very pretty and quiet wedding took place at the residence of Mrs. R. M. Pincombe, sister of the bride, the contracting parties being Miss Nellie Bishop, youngest daughter of Mr. D. Bishop, and Mr. E. J. Malone, clothier, both of this town. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. T. Cluff, in the presence of the relations and a few friends of the contracting parties. The bride was daintily gowned in white organdie and white satin, and was assisted by Miss Ruth Oldrieve, of Glencoe, who also wore white organdie over rose pink silk. Mr. J. McDougall, of this town, acted as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Malone left on the evening train for points east, and on returning will take up their residence on the corner of Front and Maria streets, where Mrs. Malone will be at home to friends afternoon and evening of the 19th and

20th of January.

Miss Mary Bell, of Strathroy, has been engaged to teach in S. S. No. 7, Ekfrid, for 1899, at a salary of \$230. Mr. J. Ross Geddes, of the firm of Geddes Bros., sailed recently for Eu-

rope on a purchasing trip. Mr. Vining, superintendent of Manitoba missions, will give an address this (Friday) evening in the Baptist Church. Mr. H. Smith, who for the past three years has successfully managed the butter department of the Western Dairy School, Strathroy, has taken the management of Cedar Springs Creamerv. Komoka.

The following officers have been elected by the Y. P. Society of St. John's Church for the ensuing year: Honorary president, Rev. Mr. Cluff; president, Mr. J. S. Sadleir; vice-president, Mr. G. E. Richardson; secretary, Miss Dumbull; assistant secretary, Miss M. Wright; treasurer, Mr. J. Stevenson; auditor, M. T. Collins; visiting and lookout committees, Misses Armstrong, Stevenson, Rowley, Turner, Fawcett, Messrs. Dunbar, Brannan, Kinder, F. Richardson and Lamont; committee of management, Miss Armstrong and Mr. Geo. E. Richardson.

Mrs. Tisdale, of Clinton, visited her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Hoare, during the holidays. Mr. Geo. Rapley, of Orillia, spent

New Year's Day with relatives in town. Mr. D. Robertson, of Chicago, was the guest of his brother and sister here Mr. J. Auld, of London, was the guest

of friends in town Tuesday.

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Russia is said to own 3,000,000 horses -nearly one-half of the whole number in extistence.

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TRAGEDY OF AN EMPIRE

True Story of the Death of Prince Ru dolph of Austria.

Edward A. Steiner contributes to The Woman's Home Companion this interesting fragment of Austrian history which is

a prohibited topic in that country: "The carnival was at its height in gay Vienna. The noisy masqueraders were returning from their revelries and were making the old city ring with shouts and laughter. The sun was struggling through the mists of the January morning, but almost before it had risen high enough to touch the golden cross of St. Stephen's cathedral all Vienna knew that there would be no more dancing during that carnival. The word had gone round that the crown prince was dead; murdered, some declared; fallen in a duel, others conjectured; accidentally killed, said the pa-

"Six years prior to this unhappy night Crown Prince Rudolph was forced by the circumstances of his station to marry Stephanie, the daughter of the king of Belgium, whom he did not love, while his heart was given to the Baroness Vetsera, the most beautiful woman in Vienna. What her character was I do not pretend to know, but the favor of a crown prince is enough to turn the head of almost any Austrian woman, particularly if she has been reared in Vienna, under the demoralizing influence of its court. His disappointment drove him to dissipation, the crown princess wept and scolded, the city was scandalized, and the emperor had to seek a way out of the difficulty. Count Hoyos, an officer in the Austrian army and one of the numerous admirers of the young baroness, was promised promotion in the army and the assistance of the emperor if he would gain her consent to marry him. This the count succeeded in doing. Then came the end. The count and his flancee, were invited to spend the evening of Jan. 30, 1889, with the crown prince in his hunting lodge at Meyerling. Wine flowed freely, and the hours were full of mirth. But suddenly, without warning, Rudolph drew a revolver, shot the count, then the baroness and at last drove a bullet through his own heart."

TWO NEWSPAPER STORIES.

Young Men Who Were Ready to Dare Anything For Fame.

Over in Vincennes, Ind., there lived a young man who, on reading of the destruction of the battleship Maine, I scame filled with a desire to invade Cuba with the first batch of war correspondents. His name is J. Willoughby Weep, and he is said to have written to Bob Paine, managing editor of the Cleveland Press, as follows:

"For \$10 per week I want to go to Cuba as your correspondent and will live with the Cubans, camp with the Cuban army, and, if necessary, fight by the side of General Gomez." The recipient of the letter is a wit, and

in a caustic reply to Mr. Weep inquired what sum would he demand to go and die with the Cubans. He was amazed a few days later to be handed a letter from Vincennes in which the would be war correspondent made this answer: "Fifteen dollars per week and ex-

It goes without saying that Mr. Weep was employed, and, most strange to record, he was one of the best men in the field. He is now numbered with the regular writers for the Cleveland Press and at

more than "\$15 per week and expenses." About the same time Managing Editor Paine was surprised to reach his desk one afternoon and find a telegram awaiting his arrival on which \$1.80 was due. It was a carefully worded application for a job from a young man who resided in Zanesville, O. Such assurance appalled Paine, and he sat down and dashed off an answer in keeping with a popular song he had heard the night previous:

"Read your answer in the stars," read the dispatch, and it was sent "collect." But on the following day he tore open a second telegram from Zanesville. Here

"The stars say come." Within 24 hours the applicant was on hand in Cleveland, and the editor gave the young man a position on the paper.

Flower of the Family.

Mr. Watson, the postmaster of Willowby, has four sons who inherit their father's amiable disposition, but are wanting in "faculty," that characteristic of the successful New Englander.

"What are your sons doing, Mr. Watson?" inquired a former resident of Willowby, who had not seen the postmaster before for 12 years.

"Well," was the answer, "Jack, my oldest boy, he's a minister without a pulpit. Fred, the next one, he's a lawyer without a client, and William, the third one, he's a teacher without any school.

"But I've got some hopes of Sam, the youngest of the lot," said the head of the Watson family, with commendable cheerfulness. "He's set out to be a farmer without any land, but he's hired out a piece and worked it to halves, and we ate vegetables off it all summer.

"I paid him for supplying our family, and when he'd settled his bill for what he put into the ground to start with, he had within 50 cents of what he owed the boy that had helped him hoe and so on all

"And I handed him over that 50 cents with a real light heart and told him he needn't ever think of it again. Yes, his mother and I feel to be encouraged about Sam; we think in the course of time he'll make a likely farmer."-Youth's Com-

The Happiest Man In the World. The more nations I make the acquaintance of the more deeply confirmed I get in this conviction that the Frenchman, with all his faults and shortcomings, is the happiest man in the world. Of course the wealthy classes have everywhere found the way of enjoying life more or less, but to the observer of national characteristics these classes are uninteresting. Good society is good society everywhere. For a study give me the masses of the people, and it is among the masses in France that, after all, I find the greatest amount of happiness. The Frenchman is a cheerful philosopher. He knows best of all how to live and enjoy life. Moderate in all his habits, he partakes of all the good things that nature has placed at his disposal without ever making a fool of himself .-Max O'Rell in North American Review.

Bethrothal ceremonies in Russia take place a week and a day before the wedding ceremony, and during these days the bride is obliged by custom to weep and wail and be comforted by her girl friends. This custom is in practice among the Chinese also.

A cable's length is one-tenth of a nautical mile (6,080 feet). The longest mile is the Norwegian, which is within a fraction of seven times ours.

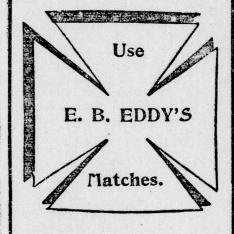
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