In Sporting Circles

of Pugilist Croot.

Numerous Arrests in Connection With the Tragedy.

A Golf Caddie Fatally Hurt at Milburn, N. J .- Progress of the Six Days Spin in Madison Square Garden - Other Sporting Matters.

ATHLETICS.

THE KILLING OF CROOT.

London, Dec. 8 .- Soon after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Barry, White and Watley, who were Croot's seconds, the manager of the National Sporting Club, Mr. B. F. Angle, and the referee and time-keeper of Monthe prisoner's dock before Mr. James | again. Vaughan, the presiding magistrate, at Bow street police court, and were formally charged with mansiaughter. The court was crowded with interested spectators. Counsel appeared for Mr. Angle, whose case is the same as that of the other defendants. The police testified that Barry was very much distressed at the death of Croot, and said he had not made the slightest attempt to avoid the warrant. Continuing, the police said Mr. Angle conducted an officer to see Croot's body, which was only superficially bruised. There were slight signs of blood in the nose, but there was none on the gloves or in the ring. Barry, who was present when the police viewed the body, broke down and cried: "I never did that." All the prisoners were remanded for a week, bail in each case being accepted in the sum of \$250. Barry is greatly depressed at the death of Croot; but all the papers. which publish reports of the fight, pay tribute to the American's fairness in fighting. They say that a better exhibition of science than that displayed by Barry and Croot is scarcely possible. The refree had to caution Croot several times for low hitting and too much clinching. From the seventh round Barry appeared to be much stronger than Croot, who came up for the twentieth round looking tired. Thus far the contest had been an excellent one, and not a sound was heard at the opening of the twentieth round except the foot movements of the men in the ring. A miscalculation of distance upon the part of Croot brought him too near his opponent, and he received a sharp right-hander on the chin, which dazed him, and another blow drove him to the ropes. Following this, Barry landed his left and right without a return from Croot, who was virtually beaten and showed signs of physical distress. Croot, however, attempted to ward off Barry, but the latter, seeing the game was in his own hands, crept up closer, and landed his

OVER CROOT'S HEART. following it up with a strong righthander on the point of the chin. Croot lay motionless in the ring, and at the expiration of the ten seconds the referee, amid loud applause, announced the victory of the Chicagoan. In the meantime Croot was taken to a bedroom in the club and doctors and trained nurses were summoned. They worked all night long upon him without any success, and the boxer expired at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The Daily Chronicle, editorially, demands a thorough sifting of the Barry-Croot affair. It fails to see the difference between these fight and the old-time prize fight. The Daily News "We hope this great scandal will put an end to the National Sporting Club."

A CADDIE KILLED. Millburn, N. J., Dec. 8.-Winfield S. McCoy died at his home on Church street as a result of a peculiar accident. On Thanksgiving Day he was at work on the links of the Baltusrol Golf Club as a caddie, when he struck on the head with a golf ball driven at a high rate of speed. He dropped to the ground unconscious, and on his recovery had a severe epileptic fit. Since then he had these fits at irregular intervals, and they increased in severity, the last one carrying him off. He was 47 years old, and leaves a widow, two daughters and a son.

FOOTBALL SERIOUSLY HURT.

Winnipeg, Dec. 8 .- During the progress of a game of football on Saturday, between Wesley College and the Alumni, L. J. Carter, goal-keeper of the Wesley team, was so seriously injured that he will never be able to play the game again. He is at present confined to bis bed.

WHEEL

THE SIX DAYS' SPIN. New York. Dec. 8. The great six day bicycle contest at Madison Square Garden has afforded a succession of surprises. Waller broke the record for 24 hours by 55 miles and 3 laps. More than haif a dozen of the other riders have eclipsed Hale's figures of last year by good margins.

Miller was far advanced into his

900th mile at midnight last night. Waller's star had faded before the dawn, and his record-breaking performance was forgotten in the astonishing achievements of Miller, Stephane and Rice. Waller is new far down in the list of the ten stayers out of the 26 that started. Seven thousand persons for hours watched the riders reeling around the rim of the great saucer. The score at 10:15 stood: Miller, 832.3; Stephane, 799.1; Rice, 799.3; Rivierre, 778.3; Schinner, 777.5; Moore, 758; Waller, 755.2; Pierce, 730.1; Golden, 705.5; Elkes, 690.4; Hale, 684; Enterman, 646.7; Kinz, 620.3; Gannon, 582.4; Julius, 552.5; Johnson, 648.6; Gray, 467.8; Beacon, 474.7. Miller was 77 miles 3 laps ahead of the record for the 46th hour.

WEDNESDAY MORNING'S SCORE. New York, Dec. 8 .- The score in the six days' bicycle race at 8:15 this morning was as follows: Miller 978, Rivierre 921. Schinner 918. Rice 917. Ste-phane 888, Moore 881, Pierce 865, Waller 844, Hale 836, Gol-den 801, Elkes 798, Enterman 770, Kinse 701, Gannon 691, Julius 676, Gray 563, Johnson 556, Beacon 536. The best previous record for 56 hours was 886 miles, made by Schock at Washington in

SPOKES. Mr. Thos. Hammond, Aylmer, completed 4,700 miles on his Columbian wheel this year.

THE MONTREAL CLUB.

Montreal, Dec. 8.—The delegates of the Montreal baseball club who were at the annual meeting of the street annual meeting. at the annual meeting of the Eastern, League have returned to town, and re- | Weather Strips.

Sensation Caused by the Killing | port that Montreal will be strong at all points. Several new men have been sethey were more than satisfied at last season's business, and they are in for good. Rochester was after Montreal's franchise, and so was a prominent theatrical manager, but Montreal would not sell. Frank Shannon has been sold to Buffalo, Montreal getting consideration in exchange. Hall, a shortstop and second baseman from the Texas League, will don a Montreal uniform. Hall has a record of 65 chances and 3 erors. From California two are coming to recruit for the local team. They are Gneslinger and Murray, of the California League. Gneslinger is a fielder, and Murray is a fielder and general utility man. The battery will be strengthened by an-other pitcher—a Brooklyn man. It is very likely that Geir, the Philadelphian, who was here for a short time day night's fatal fight were placed in at the end of the season, will be here

THE INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE. D. J. Lowney, of Bay City, secretary pro tem. of the new International Baseball League, has called a meeting of all interested, to be held at Port Huron on Tuesday, Dec. 14, when the organization will be perfected and officers chosen. The salary limit will be \$700, exclusive of the manager. President Young, of the National League, gives assurance of the latter's protection, and says the new league will be in class D .- [Port Huron Times.

FLYS. The Cleveland club will train again at Hot Springs with the Chicagos next The Milwaukee club has declared a

substantial dividend to his stockhold-Billy Sunday, the old Chicago player, and as swift an outfielder as ever played in the big league, is conducting a revival meeting at Salem, Ind. Sockalexis has returned to Oldtown, Me., after a two weeks' deer hunting Socks now says it was not booze trip. but hard luck that downed him last season.

THE TURF.

It is said that Joe Patchen won \$20,-000 last season. Directum (2:051/2), who has been in Detroit for a few years, will be rerace again.

> AQUATIC. SPLASHES.

Gaudaur will accept the challenge of Wray, the Australian, to row for the single scull championship. Both Buffalo and Cleveland yachtsmen are considering the advisability of building yachts and challenging for the cup now held by Canada.

THE CANADIAN ROUTE.

United States Opinion Respecting the Fast Atlantic Service.

The following appeared in Scribner's Magazine: "One way to shorten the trip to Europe is to go faster; but, in the attempt to attain a practical perfection of mechanical construction and a practical minimum of fuel, weight, and bulk, ship owners are now forgetting that a second way of economizing time exists—by going a shorter way. We spoke, last year, of the late Mr. Austin Corbin's plan of running transatlantic liners from Mantauk Point, at the extreme end of Long Island. A more radical adjustment of the proparts of the journey is contemplated in the Canadian route, with St. John organist, Sister L. Hawes. or Halifax as a western terminus. An actual contract has been made between Messrs. Petersen, Tate & Co., of Newcastle, England, and the Dominion this firm will send over the Atlantic route steamships of the highest standard, with a speed guarantee of 500 knots in 24 hours. Canada gives an and the British Government contributes \$250,000 per year. Four of the vessels are to be ready in 1898, and after May, 1900, there will be a weekly service with a penalty of \$1,000 for failure to make a voyage. Under these stipulations there is a considerable difference of opinion as to whether the new line will be able to come out on the right side of the financial balance sheet. Such fast steamers are no great cargo carriers, and must depend on passenger earnings to make their profits. Even the Cunarders often run at a serious loss in the winter, and the question is whether the Canadian steamers will be able to earn enough in the summer to make up for their losses in the winter. As to their geographical advantages, laymen will be surprised to realize that North Amerca takes such a bold trend to eastwill save nearly a thousand miles over the route from New York to Liverpool. With steamers of the Lucania class, then, the ocean voyage should be easily reduced to four days, and our New York-London ocean lines will have a serious competitor in bidding for the summer rush of tourists, especially for all those to whom the ocean voyage is not one of the pleasantest features of European tour.

Nor is this the last possibility in the hope of shortening the water route. It is already suggested that the eastern coast of Newfoundland should afford a terminus; this would knock over 500 miles more from the water part of the trip, and would leave it entirely practicable to get to Cork with an ocean journey of only three days. Such a course would begin, say at Boston, on the Maine Central Railroad; by the Intercolonial Railway of Canada to St. John, New Brunswick; thence by fast steamer to the island of Newfoundland in six hours-the distance is 90 miles; and then across Newfoundland by rail (about 500 miles) to the western port of the ocean steamship.

FAGGED OUT .- None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despendency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure-one box of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dand lion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Parmelee's

If you have ever seen a little child in If you have ever seen a little child in a paroxysm of Croup, or if you have been annoyed by a constant tickling in the throat, you can appreciate the value the throat of the connection with the dizziness of lieutache, and the meetings and the meetings, which are held every Monday night, have been Doan's Kidney Pills are sold by all drug-

accident occurred about two miles west of here yesterday. Mr. Seth Everett and his son were felling trees in the bush of Mr. Thos. Scane, on con. 8, points. Several new men have been secured, and as one of the directors said, and it had lodged in some limbs of other trees, leaning over an old log dozen others." The directors state that had not been entirely separated from the tree, and the elder Everitt attempted to complete his work, when the top of the tree fell to the ground with terrible force, and Mr. Everitt was knocked high into the air. He fell on his head and died almost in-Barry, a good shortstop, and a cash stantly. Dr. D. Marr was called, and concluded that deceased had come to his death by concussion of the brain. He leaves a widow and six children.

That James Allison Has Confessed to

IT IS DENIED

Killing Mrs. Crr. A special from Berlin to the Toronto Globe says: Yesterday there was a report current that James Allison, condemned to the gallows for murdering Mrs. Orr, had made a confession of his crime to his spiritual adviser, Rev. Mr. Atkinson. This story was denied by the local papers, and the writer made several visits to the jail and to Rev. Mr. Atkinson to ask if there was anything in the confession story. The jail people said there was nothing in it, to their knowledge. Mr. Atkinson said: "If Allison confessed or if he does confess to me no one will hear of it unless he gives me explicit direc-tions to tell the public." It is safe to say Allison has not confessed, and is not likely to confess with a recommendation for mercy in the hands of the government.

MIDDLESEX.

Miss Clara Haldane, of London, is making a visit with her cousin, Miss Maggie Shipley, of Komoka. The Delaware Methodist Church Sun-

day school will have a grand time on Christmas eve. They are to have a Christmas tree, with all the usual accomplishments. Miss Pearl, daughter of Mr. Melvin Smith, of Dorchester Station, aged 8

years, was badly bitten in her right

arm on Saturday by a vicious dog, necessitating three stitches by Dr. Delaware Valley Lodge, A., F. and A. M., G. R. C., the other evening turned to California. He will never Wor. Bro. John Ackland; W. M., Bro. elected officers as follows: P. M., John Stillson; S. W., Bro. Jas. Finch; J. W., Bro. James McGregor; treasurer, Bro. R. C. Hammond; secretary, of Chief Shannon there remain nine Bro. R. R. Montgomery. A large attendance was present, and a number of visitors from Mount Brydges and Lobo. A pleasant hour was spent

after the work of the evening was ac-

complished in sociability. Following are the recently elected officers of Court Western Pride, A. O. F., Komoka: Chief ranger, Bro. C. Wernham; sub-chief ranger, A. Mc-Kellar; treasurer, J. Nash; secretary, P. A. McIntyre; senior woodward, L. Stilson; junior woodward, G. F. Craven; senior beadle, H. Smith; junior beadle, A. G. Wernham; trustee, D. A. McDougall; auditors, Bros. Swales, McKellar and Stilson; medical officer, F. H. Mitchell; sick committee, Bros.

Nash, McKellar and Swales. The officers-elect of the Delaware Royal Templars of Temperance are: Select councilor, J. T. Wilson; past councilor, E. Blashill; vice-councilor, Sister S. Davis; recording secretary, A. Waters; assistant secretary, Sister Lawson; financial secretary, B. A. Mitchell; treasurer, Chas. Price; chaplain, Ed. Ralph; herald, A. Thomas; portions of the railroad and steamship assistant herald, Sister L. Hawes; guard, Jas. Hay; sentinel, Bro. Tilden;

Mr. H. Brodie, of Burwell road, sold a valuable Llewellyn setter dog to Mr. H. M. Graydon, of London, for \$50. A very successful concert was given Government, under the terms of which in the Muncey road school house on the evening of Dec. 3, in connection with St. Andrew's Church, Delaware. The Rev. R. Leatch, pastor, occupied the chair. Of the programme itself annual subsidy of \$500,000 for ten years, little need to said. The hearty applause which greeted each number testified that the audience fully appreciated the efforts of those who took part. At the close of the programme coffee and cake were served, and all dispersed well satisfied that it was one of the best ever given in this neighborhod.

The Christmas entertainment in connection with Lobo village school will held this year in the Foresters' Hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 23, when a first-class programme will be provided. R. Boston, of London, will act as chairman. Miss Jean Gunn, graduate of the Toronto Conservatory of Elocution, will be present and take part in the pro-Detective McKinnon, Hamilton, will also sing some of his grand old Scottish selections. Dr. Graham will make the presentations of the diplomas to the pupils. ward, as one goes north on the At-lantic coast, that a port like Halifax ent and add to the evening's enjoydouble male quartet will also be presment. The pupils of the school will present a fan drill burlesque, a Maypole dance, a jubilee tableau, several songs and a number of recitations. The proceeds will be in aid of the library fund. Admission, 25 cents; children, 15 cents. The programme will positively begin at the time announced. 8 o'clock.

LAKE SHORE-BOSANQUET. Lake Shore, Bosanquet, Dec. 8 .- Mr. Wm. Fraser is doing excellent work, chopping, cutting corn, grinding graham flour, etc., with his new windmill, on his barn, recently purchased from the McEwen Bros., of Lake Shore, Bo-

Jas. Bell, who has worked for many years for farmers around here, died on Dec. 1 at the home of Mr. Jacob Hodgson, of Lake road east, aged about 70 years, and was buried on Dec. 2. He has been at Mr. Hodgson's for several years past. People of Lake Shore and vicinity

are looking forward to Dec. 10, when Miss Stella Hubbart will give a concert at school No. 4. She has an interesting class of music pupils in this neighborhood. Tickets, 15 cents. People of all political creeds unite in saying good and excellent things about H. J. Pettypiece, since he is nominated for East Lambton. Having many friends and few enemies he will be sure to have a good majority over whomsoever his opponent shall be.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Dec. 8.-The Epworth League, which was started here a few weeks ago in connection with the dizziness or headache, and am in fact all largely attended. Mr. and Mrs. J. Matthews have returned home from Bookton, Norwich,

Fatal Accident to Mr. Seth EverittThrown Into the Air and Fell
on His Head.

Ridgetown, Ont., Dec. 8.—A very sad accident occurred about two miles west of here yesterday. Mr. Seth Everett and his son were felling trees in the bush of Mr. Thore Scane on the bush of Mr. Thore Sc

Hotel men are so anxious to signatures to their petitions that they even went so far as to ask members of the temperance society to sign their documents, but the latter positively declined to do so. Don't forget the concert in the new school house Friday evening. The admission is only 15 cents.

SIMCOE.

Simcoe, Dec. 7 .- John Charlton, M.P., was in town yesterday. D. M. Christie, of the high school staff, has sent in his resignation. He intends studying for B. A.
Robt. Tisdale is home from his ranch in Wyoming to spend the winter. The rain of Saturday has made the roads in fine condition. If a good snow storm should come there would be fine sleighing. The model school written examinations began yesterday.

STONEY POINT RESERVE.

Johnson-Bresette - Interesting Event at Chier John Johnson's Residence.

Lake Shore, Bosanquet, Dec. 8 .- A very pretty wedding took place at the commodious residence of Chief John Johnson, of Stoney Point reserve, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 1, when, in the presence of about 60 invited guests, about 22 of whom were white people, principally neighboring farmers and others, who have always taken an interest in the welfare of the people living on the reserve, Levi Johnson, son of Chief John Johnson, was married to Miss Hannah Bresette, of Kettle Point reserve. The ceremony was very pleasantly performed by Rev. H. Tyler (who gets abundant practice in 'tying knots"), at about 6 o'clock p.m. Lovely and beautiful indeed did the bride appear, in a perfectly made gown of cream colored silk, which also did much credit to the dressmaker, Miss McGuin, of Forest. Her hat and fur cape enhanced the beauty of the dress, and the bride of 18 looked so fair and lovely that no one could wonder that she, the greatgrand-daughter of Chief Shannon, who died at Kettle Point some 35 years ago, should have captivated even the son of Chief John Johnson. Now, the said Chief Shannon was a near relative of Tecumseh, and fought with him in some hard battles. He was 103 years of age when he died, leaving several sons and one daughter, who have all died, but of the descendants grandchildren, and their children and grandchildren are numerous. But perhaps of all the descendants of the said chief the most widely known is Adam Shannon, son of David Shannon, and grandson of the chief who has been warden of the Kettle Point Episcopal Church for many years, and is much respected by all who know him, and was one of the honored guests. Mr. Telford Bressette, brother of the

bride, supported the bridegroom through the ordeal, and Miss Lizzie Johnson, niece of the bridegroom, gracefully filled the position of bridesmaid, suitably attired in pink cashmere. After the ceremony and congratulations were over, an hour or two was spent in social chat. Dinner was soon announced. Turkey was carved, regardless of the sultan's wishes. Goose and salmon also figured prominently on the table. Then cakes and pies in great abundance and of really excellent quality disappeared with amazing velocity, but still never seemed to grow visibly less. The bride's cake—a veritable marvel of perfection—was made and presented by Mrs. Amos David, the bride's

A funny episode was when one of the waitresses, who, by a slight change in her toilet, appeared in the guise of a darky girl and gave black kisses to some of her girl friends.

After dinner was over, and another season of chat, the white friends and those of the others who are not so young as they used to be went home at 9:30, while the fun-loving dwellers on the reserves repaired to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Amos David to dance and to feast again, and whether they "danced all night till the broad day light, and went home with the girls in the morning," deponent sayeth not. At the wedding the white people were taking notes mentally, and among the things noted were some like the following: Chief John Johnson and his wife are the right people in the right place. Their daughters are excellent house-keepers and cooks. The whole family know how to entertain right royally and to make even the horses belonging to their guests feel quite at home eating hay, etc., in comfortable quarters, and last, but not least, that Miss Sarah Johnson is an uncommonly smart girl for one of 13. Let us all unite in congratulating Mr. and Mrs.

A GUSHER IN DUNWICH. Dutton, Dec. 8 .- On Monday, the Elginfield Oil Company struck a well, not far from the other wells struck in the Dunwich oil district, which promises to be a money-maker. It has been pumped continuously, and the flow of oil continues to increase.

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