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SPECIAL TRAINS TO VANDERBILT WEDDING

Cards for 250 Guests Issued, Accompanied by Passes To Be Presented to Train Conductors.

Newport, Dec. 31 .- All the arangements for the wedding of Miss Elsie French and Alfred G. Vanderbilt on Monday, Jan. 14, were completed today with the arranging for special trains and sending out of the cards.

The trains will be run from New York and Boston, leaving the former city at 1:02 p.m., on Saturday and Sunday, and leaving Boston at 10 a.m. on Monday. The guests will leave here on specials at 4 p.m. Those arriving Monday and the special house guests who come on Saturday and Sunday will on Monday morning be driven to Zabriskie Memorial Church, where an organ recital has been arranged for their entertainment from 11 until noon, the hour appointed

for the wedding.

Except that a full vested choir will sing, the arrangements for the wedding service, in acordance with the wish of the bride, are as simple as the canons of the church will admit.

Rev. George Bimley, of New Haven, a cousin of Miss French, will read the exhortation and betrothal. Mr. Amos Tuck French will give the bride away. Miss Pauline French will be the maid of honor, and Reginald Vanderbilt, Rev. Charles Beattie, formerly of Chelsea, now rector of Zabriskie Memoriai Church, will complete the ceremony. Mrs. French and Miss French returned last evening from Tuxedo, where they have been visiting Amos Tuck French.

Invitations to the wedding and the breakfast have been sent out to the French and Vanderbilt families. Only 250 have been issued on account of the fact that the Vanderbilts are still in mourning. With the invitations are fact that the Vanderbilts are still in mourning. With the invitations are mourning. With the invitations are cards to present to the conductors of the trains, which are in the form of the trains, which are in the form of most grand manner. And the joke of passes and for cards for admission to | it was that in spite of the fact that

TOPPLED OVER

Five Parlor Car Passenger Seriously Injured Near Henderson, Ky.

Henderson, Ky., Dec. 31.-Train No. 44 on the Henderson road was wrecked two miles east of this city yesterday, and five persons were seriously injur-ed. They were: William C. Holloway, of this city, arm broken and badly bruised; John Mason, of this city, injured internally, serious; Cyrus Scott, Madisonville, leg broken. Two others, whose names could not be learned were seriously injured.

All the injured were in the parlor car, which left the rails and toppled over on its side. About fifteen passengers occupied the coach ahead of the parlor car, all of whom were more or

PLAGUE OF WOLVES

Hungry Animals Venture Even to the Outskirts of Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Dec. 31.-Wolves in great numbers infest the vicinity of Minnes polis ,and the farmers of the near-by counties are in a state bordering on panic, for their live stock is constantly being attacked by the bruces. This condition of affairs is particularly true as applying to Anoka county, adjoining Hennepin county, where the prairie wolves are reported as being more numerous than ever before. Daily complaints are made that the animals lave worked destruction in a sheep-fold or hen-roost, and the farmers are sending invitations for a grand hant, by means of which it is hoped to exterminate or drive out the animals.

Dozens of the animals have already been killed by hunters during the present winter, but they seem to constantly increase in numbers. Even on the outskirts of this city the weird howing of the wolves can be heard any night.

SILVER RUNNING LOW.

Washington, Dec. 31.—The secretary of war has communicated to congress a cable from the Philippine commission, indicating a grave crisis in the monetary affairs of the archipelago. The stock of silver in the islands rapidly diminishing, and it has been found impossible apparently to continue the ratio of 2 to 1, established and maintained arbitrarily. The Mexican money is being drained away very rapidly towards China and India, making it difficult for the army disbursing officers to transact their business.

Manila, Dec. 31.—The Philippine commission has completed the preparation of a general municipal government bill, similar to Gen. MacArthur's order establishing municipal governments, and authorizing elections, but they much more elaborate, covering all details.

BOTH DEAD.

New York, Dec. 31.—A man and a woman who had gone to Courtney's hotel, Fulton street and Manhattan crossing, Brooklyn, Saturday night, were found dead in bed today. There was every evidence of suicide. Two unlighted gas burners were turned on The man was believed to be John J. Walker, of Jamaica, but the wo-man's identity was not known.

The solar orb would appear blue to anybody who should view it outside of this planet's atmosphere.

SHE DOCTORS BIRDS

One of the latest schemes of a clever woman, forced to earn her own living, is establishing therself as a bird doctor. Canaries are her specialty, and she has established a hospital where she attends to the ills of these pets, according to the New York Times. Broken limbs, disordered digestive apparatus, catarrhs and fevers are treated by this woman, with benefit to the bird and profit to herself. Other song bird and profit to herself. Other song birds and house pets, and even the repulsive parrots, are treated for their allments by this bird doctor, who is said to be the only woman in the world who is making a specialty of this business. So well established is her fame in this direction that she makes visits to Philadelphia, Boston and other cities when called and has and other cities when called, and has established a regular clientele there as well as here among dealers who make the handling of birds an incident to some of the department stores.

HER SKIRTS COULD NOT STOP HER

Embarrassing Situation on an English Railway Train Tests Shrewdness of an American Girl.

Until I went abroad this summer I never realized what a Godsend the elaborate petticoats we women wear nowadays can be in a case of emergency, remarked a New York girl yes-Father and I were coming from Edinburgh to London on one of those English flyers which seem to me to go a great deal faster even than our Empire State Express. I was sitting by the door when the guard locked us in, and until the call came for us to go into the dining car I never budged an inch. When I did jump up to follow father into the dining car, however, I found to my horror that I was practically chained to the spot. You know that scene in "Captain Lettarblair" where Virginia finds her skirt caught in the door? Well, that was my case to a T. The train of my gown had caught in the door as the guard locked it and there I was with the prospect of sitting there a prisoner until we reached London at 10 o'clock that night. We called the guard to open the door just an inch, but all the consolation we change it without depriving himself of could get out of him was: "Sorry the small coins needful in his business. ma'am; but it's against regulations.
That door can't be unlocked till we get to London."

By this time every other mortal in the train was in the dining-car gorging himself. Poor father, hungry as a hunter, was champing at his bit for me, the sudden conviction that I couldn't go to dinner had brought on one of the severest attacks of hunger I had ever experienced. I told father to go and eat enough for two. Then in despair I sat down to curse my fate and realize what it is to feel like a reconcentrado.

Suddenly it flashed into my mind that I had on my jet black silk pettithe carriage was full of women not a soul remarked my appearance. Even father didn't realize what I had done until we had returned to our carriage again, and I had to get him to assist me back into my skirt. I don't think I ever enjoyed a dinner so much in my life."—New York Sun.

PULLMAN ESTATE GROWS

Valued at \$9,000,000 in 1897, It Is Now Worth About \$15,000,000.

Chicago, Dec. 31 .- The second accounting in the estate of the late Gec. M. Pullman was filed in the probate court during the afternoon by the executors. Robert Lincoln and Norman B. Ream. The statement showed the receipts and disbursements of the estate since the first accounting was made on Jan. 10, 1899. The instrument contained many pages and the assistant to the judge had set aside four hours of his time to its consideration. It is staid that the original estate of \$9,000,000, which was left by Mr. Pullman at the time of his death on Oct. 19, 1897, has been increased by the management of the executors to almost \$15.

Western Ontario.

Major Knight, of Woodstock, on Friday received a check for \$1,000 from the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Company-the second \$1,000 paid to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard in payment of the insurance policies on the life of the late Pte. Leonard, killed at Zand River.

An engrossed address and a check for \$450 from the Paris board of education, a gold wate hand an appropriate address from the pupils, were recently presented to Mr. G. H. Armstrong, the retiring mathematical master at the high school in that

A very happy Christmas was spent at the residence of Mr. James Kerr, "Pleasant View Farm," Gravenhurst, when among about 40 guests the sons and daughters of Mr. Kerr presented with beautiful Christmas presents in the shape of fur coat, gauntlets and cace. Among the relatives esent were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kerr, of London township; Mr. and Mrs. John Johnstone and family, of Piccadilly street, London, and Miss S. Coch-

SMALLPOX AT GODERICH. Goderich, Dec.31.-A case of smallpox has been reported to the provincial health department from Goderich. A citizen of Goderich, while on a jour-ney to Milwaukee, caught the disease from traveling in a steamer which had been used to carry smallpox patients. but which was supposed to have been thoroughly fumigated. Every precaution is being taken to prevent the disease from spreading.



Out for Bargains.

The trick must be done quickly. The balance of stock must be sold at once. Watch our movements. There's great bargains here.

HE GAVE HIM HIS CHANCE

How a Chicago Car Conductor Got Even With the Man With the Bill.

[Chicago Record.]

The pet aversion of the average street car conductor is the man or woman who gets into his car with "nothing smaller" than a \$5 or \$10 bill. Usually he can't change it without depriving himself of

For weeks recently a mild-mannered, middle-aged man has been offering a \$10 bill on north side cars with such frequency that the conductors, comparing notes as they do at "knocking-off" time, agreed that he was a public nuisance. He divided his patronage so judiciously

that half the conductors on the road knew him or had heard about him.

Finally the fat conductor fixed up a plan to defeat the man. "I'm goin' to take \$10 worth o' pennies with me from now till he gets on my car," he told the other conductors. "and the first time he other conductors, "and the first time he shoves the big casino at me I'll hand him ten pounds of copper coins. There'll Pretty soon every man on the road knew about the fat conductor's ingenious plan, and when he appeared at the power house he was the center of an inquisitive crowd eager to know whether the \$10 passenger had "got his medicine." At last the mild-mannered man got into the fat conductor's car It was well

filled and the expectant fare-taker was ready for his victim. The man unbuttoned his frayed Prince Albert and handed out the famous \$10

"That the smallest you've got?" growled the fat conductor, hoping that

'Yes, sir; I'm sorry," meekly replied the stranger.

The conductor reached down under the seat and pulled out a bag as big as a Rugby football. Untying the neck, he extracted five pennies and then dropped the sack into the lap of the astonished stranger. Everybody laughed. The mid-mannered man looked sheepish, blushed

'Your change!" "Can't you give me a few bills? I don't want to carry this load all the way "Well, you've sprung that \$10 bili once too often. I've got it now! You can keep the change."

'But I don't know how much there is 'There's nine ninety-five in it. Count

The meek passenger seemed to realize that he did not have the sympathy of his fellow-passengers, for they were all laughing at him, so he patiently began laughing at him, so he patiently began to count his mountain of pennies. The fat conductor was so delighted over his performance that he held a sort of levee on the back platform, telling the admiring passengers who visited him there all about the circumstances leading up to the funny incident. They agreed that it was funny and that the passenger had was funny and that the passenger had "got just what he deserved." The latter was still counting when the train reached the limits barn, and thence he trudged was rily as the county of ed wearily away with the bag in his

That night when the fat conductor had turned in his money and report he as-sembled his expectant colleagues in the power house and began: "I done it good to the old guy with the ten-spot! Didn't do a thing but unload the pennies on him and done it before a whole car-load o' passengers! Maybe they d'dn't give him the laugh! I'll bet he don't spring no more big b—" no more big b—"
"Say, there, Fatty!" yelled the cashier, sticking his head through the office win-

dow, "did you turn in this \$10 pm;"
"Yes," replied the stout conductor,

"Well, it's a counterfeit, Fatty, and you'll have to make it good!"

HAWKS AND SPARROWS

New York Parks Are Infested by Birds of Prey Which Drive Out the Native Songsters.

An inquisitive man who was anxious to find the reason for the many hawks of the smaller sorts-generally known as sparrowhawks-about the city asked one of the many bird sharps for the cause. "Sparrows," was the prompt reply. His theory is that the presence of so many of the fat sparrows about the parks brings here the hawks in search of a supply of food. They are one of the of a supply of food. They are one of the evils that come in the train of the English sparrow. The latter unquestionably number millions, and as they are easy game for the hawks, the latter throng the parks and live easily and luxuriantly off the little fellows. Incidentally, too, they also devour other birds that winter here, and when the spring brings the singing migrants back, make havoc in their ranks. Just now the hawks are numerous about Central Park, the Zoological Gardens and in portions of Van ease from spreading.

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numerous about Central Park, the Zoological Gardens and in portions of Van Courtlandt Park. Keepers think the hawks are responsible in great measure for the lack of increase in the number of squirrels that should naturally show in the parks. They are said to have a particular fondness for the young rodents and attack them when they find them alone. How to get rid of the hawks is a question that is puzzling those who have in mind the keeping up of the parks as a place for song birds.—New York

LONDON NEEDS MORE HOUSES.

Prosperous Workingmen Cannot Get Shelter FASHIONABLE for Thuir Families.

At the present moment, writes Sir Walter Besant in the January Century, those parts of East London inhabited by the workingmen of all kinds, from the respectable artisan in steady employment down to the casual hand and the children of the street, are suffering from the dearth of houses. There are not enough houses for the people; there are not enough houses for the people; there are not enough would gladly occupy them, if they could. The rents of the lowest tenements are going up higher and higher. The working people compete with one another for rooms. The landlord has only to put up his house, or his rooms in his house, to the highest bidder. A room that used to be let for shillings a week can now command 6, whille the fine, or sum paid in taking the key, which was formerly a few shillings, now runs up to a pound, or even two. The houseless used to be considered the very poorest. Among them now are families where the head is in good work. They are houseless because there are no houses for them. The vast increase in population has a good deal to do with this. For instance, the outlying suburb of East Ham, twenty years ago a mere hamlet with a few houses and an old church in the fields, now numbers 90,000 people, all of the working class; while its neighbor, West Ham, which twenty years ago consisted of two or three scattered hamlets, is now a great town of 270,000 people, all of the working class.

500 LIVES IMPERILED

By Explosion in a Pennsylvania Mine-All Escaped Injury But Two.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 31.-A heavy explosion of gas occurred today in the Hollenback mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company. It set fire to the woodwork, but was quickly ex-tinguished. Five hundred men were at work at the time. All succeeded in getting out safely with the exception of two, who were badly burned. One was taken to Mercy Hospital in a dying condition. The mine is one of the most gaseous in the anthracite region, and when the explosion occurred it was considered certain there had been heavy loss of life.

A \$400,000 BLAZE.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Fire early today destroyed the plant of the Bellaire Stamping Company, at Harvey, Ill., a manufacturing suburb of this city. The loss is estimated at \$400,000; insurance about \$375,000.

BANK ROBBER'S BONDS. Kingston, Ont., Dec. 31.—Pare, the bank burglar in the penitentiary here, is said to have willed \$20,000 of railway stock to his sister prior to his being op-erated upon and a leg amputated. He held \$32,000 in bonds.

BIG DEAL IN MARBLE. London, Dec. 31.-It is stated that Senator Proctor, of Vermont, has bought the famous Carrara quarries of Italy, thus securing, with his Vermont holdings, control of the bulk of the world's output of statuary and building marble. The sum paid was about

FELL DEAD IN CHURCH. Belleville, Dec. 31.-William Gill. a well-known horseman fell dead Fri-day night in the Tabernacle Church, where he was acting for his son, the sexton, who broke his leg a few days ago. Mr. Gill was 66 years of age, and is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter. A CANADIAN LLOYDS.

be made to the forthcoming parlia-ment for an act to incorporate the Canadian Lloyds with a capital of \$5,000,000. The Clergue syndicate of Sault Ste. Marie is largely interested in the project. This syndicate was interested in the four steamers which left the upper lakes here last fall with through cargoes of steel for England, and which, owing to the monopoly of the British Lloyds, were compelled to go to sea uninsured. Hon. A. G. Blair, at the recent Hays banquet, stated that no British menopoly would be allowed to stand in the way of the development of the Lawrence route. It is believed the British government is in active sympathy with the movement. It is proposed in connection therewith to maintain a number of ice-breaking steamers on the St. Lawrence to inice-breaking sure greater safety for steamers in the

THE PICKLES TEST FOR MUMPS. There has recently been an epidemic of mumps among the school children of the city. According to the rules of the health department, a child may not return to school until he has fully recovered. Every afternoon has brought to the health department fifteen to twenty youngsters, some with swollen cheeks and some without. It is the duty of the physician without. It is the duty of the phys cian in charge of the office to examine these applicants for clean bills of health and see if any trace of the infection remains. But the force of the health department is small, and sometimes there is tor in the office for an hour at a time. This works a hardship on mothers waiting with their chi'dren, and Dr vesterday bethought himself of the magic touchstone by which Miss Mollie Currigan, guardian of the outer office, might

herself test the applicants.
"Pickles are the thing," said Dr. Carlin.
"If a person with the slightest trace of inflammation in the thyroid g'ands takes a bite of anything sharply sour, the face is instantly contorted. In extreme cases the pain is intense."
So a bottle of mixed pickles was added

to the pharmacopoeia of the office. Now, when there is no doctor in the office, Miss Currigan lines up the applicants for certificates and goes down the lines with a bottle of pickles. If the child takes the pickle and smiles as a healthy child should, he may go back to school again; but if he scowls in pain, then he is condemned to stay at home.—Denver Republican.

REWARD FOR THE CUDAHY AB-DUCTORS.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 31. - A special meeting of the city council was called this afternoon for the purpose of taking measures against the Cudahy abductors. Mayor Moore issued a statement that he had urged the governor to offer a reward. A special meeting of the council will consider the advisability of appropriating \$10,000 for any person who may bring about the conviction of the kidnappers. The county will also be asked to give some money, and there is no doubt but that the sum will be swelled to \$25,000.

Gunmetal has been entirely discarded for steel in the new type of Italian field and mountain artillery, of which the first battery has just been delivered for use.

To mark the birth of the new cen-

tury in France, the last day of the has been proclaimed a public

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Tweed Pants, worth \$1.25, for 79c per pair. Half Hose, at 10c, 12c, 15c, 18c, 20c, 25c per pair. Black Cashmere Socks, at 25c and 35c per pair. Black Wool Socks, home knit, 50c per pair.

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WOMAN FOUND IN A BARREL DEAD

In Her Own Home-Played "Rock of Ages" and Then Inhaled Gas.

New York, Dec. 31.—When Fred Reinhardt, a piano maker, living at 249 East Twenty-eighth street, went home last night he found an unusual state of affairs. His wife Mary was not in the kitchen where she usually greeted him and supper was not ready. He went through the bedrooms into the parlor. Everything there was disarranged. Plates, cups Everything and saucers, knives and forks and Montreal, Dec. 31.-Application will other pieces of table ware were scattered over the floor and on the mantelpiece was a row of soup dishes, six

in number with a lighted candle stuck Near the parlor table was a sugar barrel placed lengthwise on the floor and directly under the gas jet. Leading from the gas jet was a tube which had been inserted through a hole that had been bored in the barrel within six inches of the bottom. His wife's body was in the barrel. The tube was in her mouth and the gas was turned on. Before she the tube in her mouth she had closed up the mouth of the barrel with as many pillows as she could stuff there so as to make the barrel as nearly

air-tight as possible. The only part of her body outside of the barrel was her feet. She was lying on her back, and when her husband had removed the pillows and dragged her body from the barrel was dead.

On a small organ in the room was a music book. The pages were opened at the "Rock of Ages." The neighbors in the house told Reinhardt that early in the evening they heard strains of the old hymn coming from rooms.

Township Councils.

DELAWARE.

Delaware, Dec. 15.-Council me suant to adjournment, all the members present. The clerk reported that he had communicated with the clerk of Southwold, as instructed, but had received no reply; and also that he had consulted the township solicitor re drain and other

matters. Report adopted.
On motion of Messrs. Burt and Beil, the collector was authorized to accept taxes on roll against the following, less the dog tax: Messrs. Pincorabe, Campbell, Kennedy, Gibson, Hammond, Scott and Fortner. and Fortner. The clerk read two communications

from Meredith, Judd & Co., solicitors for John Monteith, re compaint against branch drain of Stevens and Burt, How-Messrs. Elviadge and Bell was appoint-

ed to look after same and report.

A letter was read from the clerk of the township of Brantford respecting dog tax. Filed. The account of \$2 for cutting thistles in favor of Wm. Leaker was ordered The medical health officer presented his

report. Adopted. L. W. Vail made L. W. Vail made application to the council for a grant of \$6 to assist him in connection with the funeral expenses of James Moore, the late janitor.

Bylaws 438 and 439 were read three times and passed. John Forsyth was appointed janitor The clerk was instructed to call for tenders for same, to be opened at next

The following accounts were ordered The following accounts were ordered paid: Frank Ryckman, for building the breakwater and removing bridge on the McFarlane sideroad, \$70; A. Ryckman, road work, \$4.22; J. Kennedy, gravel, \$5; Wm. Doyle, work and material, \$10; J. May, ditching, \$5; W. Snelgrove, plank, \$6; W. Element, tile, \$2.38; F. Lockwood, tile, \$28.2; J. Monteith, graveling, \$8; E. North, tile, \$4.20; R. Hooper, gravel. tile, \$28 22; J. Monteith, graveling, \$8; E. North, tile, \$4 20; R. Hooper, gravel, \$8; Kelly & Monteith, half pay for labor, \$1.75; Wm. Cudney, work and material on Wellington street, \$5; F. Bodkin, for gravel, \$8; the Municipal World, for forms, \$1 67; F. H. Mitchell, M.D., for services to the family of R. Pincombe, \$15; H. C. Garnett, for bridge on con. 1, lot 10, \$57,88; L. W. Vail, grant towards funeral expenses of the late J. Moore, \$6: A. Thomas, gravel, con. 1, lot 21, \$5;

H. Cooke and other, work on town line, H. Cooke and other, work on town line, \$19 55; H. Cooke, special grant, \$10; S. Kilbourne, special grant, \$8; Scott & Farrell, for bridge, \$5 34; A. Chrisjohn, cleaning two ditches, \$13 50; M. Henderson, operating road scraper, \$2 25; C. Heidt, labor and material, \$26 50; H. Johnstone, grant for show, \$40; W. Cudney, work on Forsyth drain, \$12 10; schools, \$2,402 85; salaries and fees, \$222 74; gravel from pits, \$68 80; lumber, to Kergravel from pits. \$68.80; iumber, to Kernohan & Co., \$5.62. Council adjourned sine die. W. C. Harris, clerk.

A Presentation.

On Friday evening last the Sunday school class of over 25 young ladies of the King Street Presbyter.an Church met at their teacher's home, Mrs. Grant, Presbyterian Church King street, and presented her with the following address, accompanied by a beautiful gold watch chain. Although taken entirely by surprise, Mrs. Grant thanked them all for so kindly remem-

"London, Dec. 27, 1900." "Dear Teacher,—At this time of the season, when hearts are joyful, com-memorating the time of festivities through the anniversary of the gift of God in giving his Son to make the hearts of mankind happy, we do not forget the words you have so earnestly spoken tinco us, and the time you have so pa-tiently spent, that we might be drawn that gift which is ours to enjoy. We have taken this opportunity to show in a slight way our esteem to to show in a slight way our esteem to you for your willingness at all times on our behalf, by presenting you with this chain, hoping that the links that bind it together may be a pattern that shall bind us as teacher and scholar to that gift which is eternal. Signed on healf of the class." behalf of the class.

TURF.

AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 31.-Strangest and Gracious were the only winning favorites today, and in the latter's race the bulk of the money was wagered upon Educate, Cloritt and Gallopin. Edgartland, in the fifth race was backed from tens to fours. Fleeting was sold to J. J. McCafferty on private terms. Summary: First race, mile, selling-Platain won, Alvin W. 2, Randy 3. Time, 1:511/2.

Second race-Shutup won; Boomerack 2, Waterplant 3. Time, 1:121/2. Third race—Dancupid won, Judge Magee 2, W. R. Gates 3 Time, 1:49%. Fourth race, handicap—Strangest won, Albert Vale 2, Monkwayman 3. Time, 1:59.

Fifth race-Edwartland won, Horseshoe Tobacco 2/ Scrievener 3. Time,

Sixth race-Gracious won, Quite Right 2, Educate 3. Time, 1:12. SPORTING NOTES. It is expected that Johnny Nilsson,

the Minneapolis skater and Peder Oestland, the champion of Norway, will meet at Montreal in February.

Baseball is in full swing at the coast now. Westminster defeated Vancouver the other day. Gifford, Turnbull and

Oddy, of the champion lacrosse team, figured in the winning team. It is feared that Jimmy Michael, the little bicycle racer, who caught cold during the recent races at Madison Square Garden, is down with pneumonia. At all events, he is seriously ill, and his manager is quite alarmed.

Fred Adams Briggs, the Cornell oarsman, reputed to be the greatest stroke that ever rowed in an American college crew, is to be married. His bride is to be Miss Anna Valette Haight, a Poughkeepsie girl, who is a graduate of Vassar College, and well known in society. Mail and Empire: Manager Barrow has signed two more players - Pitcher Mathewson and Charles Pease, an infielder, from the Wisconsin State League. Mathewson was with the Norfolk, Va. club, and has been turned

While the established belt adapted to the cultivation of the prune extends from the State of Washington to Arigona, by far the larger percent age of the product is yielded by Cali-

over by that club to Toronto. New York on e had him on its reservation

Two thousand gallons of air are up person's allowance for