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LTHOUGH the National league | more difficult for the improvement in A baseball meason is not very far batting to be appreciated. There will, the impression of a "cannon ball." it however, hardly be any dissent from was exactly the impression that Bald parison of the teams. Some of the fans season are better in every way in their lif shot out of a cannon. are even during enough to predict the specialty than any similar aggregation standing of the clubs at the end of the of old timers. season. There seems to be a very gen-eral opinion, and this is shared to a fielder of the hard hitting Philadelphia great extent by the players themselves, iteam, led the list last season, and to do

will tell you that his club is bound to in 25 games. He made five hits, includence more, but if you ask him which | times at the bat; five times he made team will be second the invariable re- four hits in one game and 24 times ply is Brooklyn, thus showing that the made three hits. He made 58 doubles, aggregation from the City of Churches 10 triples and 9 home runs during the season, which is a magnificent record. is the one they all fear most.

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Second on the list of batters came The teams are so much more evenly matched this season, owing to the re-duction of the circuit from 12 to 8 clubs, made 21 hits in his first 10 games and and the games are so much more flerce- 50 hits in 31 games. Nine times in the ly contested that the percentages of the season he made four hits in a game and leaders are separated by fewer points 19 times three hits. He scored 20 douthan in former years. The result of bles, 8 triples and 7 home runs, besides

WELL KNOWN CYCLISTS. Many riders on the circuit today are known by names which bear no resemblance to those given them by their fond parents. Few indeed ever escape wearing sobriquets, except those that are practically new to the game. All the old riders, those who came into the game prior to 1896, enjoy some peculiar nickname. Perhaps the most common name, because more generally accepted by the public, was that of "Cannon" as applied to Eddie Bald, which fitted in so nicely with his last name as to give

NICKNAMES OF SOME

been played for a line to be drawn to the statement that the five men who used to give the other contestants in enable one to make an intelligent com- led the batting list at the end of last races by starting from the push off as Another well known name is that of

the "Jersey Skeeter," as applied to Arthur A. Zimmermann. There was another name which Zimmermann wore before he attained the title of "King of that the Brooklyn team has the best so had to eclipse all his previous efforts. Cyclists." In the old days, when he fact, in the whole world, for nearly all the started out in great form, making rode a Star machine and succeeded in the records at weight throwing are Many a player on some other team 25 hits in the first 10 games and 49 hits | winning prizes on it once in awhile, he won the name of the "Grinder." In the the collegiate and intercollegiate recbe first when the autumn leaves fall ing a double and a home run, out of six light of his subsequent fame this name ords, but also smashed the amateur was lost,

Another of these names quite gener-ally known was that of "Wooden Shoes," as applied to Sanger. He was a big German, and the name fitted him



DROBABLY the most interesting point winners at the recent intercolleeature of the recent trip of the glate games, while other good men who University of California athletes have recently graduated will be added. used to give the other contestants in | to the east was the wonderful work Altogether it will be a most formidable done by Plaw, their great hammer aggregation, stronger than any other thrower. This young man, who, by the American team that will enter the way, is only 19 years of age, is as phe-nomenal in the hammer event as splendid lot of athletes who will sport Kraenzlein is over the hurdles.

KEELER

Plaw proved himself the best ham- | club. mer thrower in this country, and, in the records at weight throwing are Kraenzieln and W. P. Remington in the

the colors of the New York Athletic

The undergraduates in Pennsy's team will be the following stars: A. C. hurdles and jumps; T. B. McClain, who will captain the team next season, in the sprints; Alex Grant and E. R. Bushnell in the distance runs, and J. C. Mc-Cracken and T. T. Hare in the weight

events. The graduates who will complete the team are all good men. Among them are J. W. B. Tewkesbury, the former intercollegiate champion sprinter; I. K. Baxter, the great high jumper and pole vaulter, and George W. Orton, the distance runner.

It is thought that the Americans will comprise at least 25 per cent of the entries in the sporting events at Paris. Taking into consideration the high class of our men, many of the prizes should find their way across the ocean.

All indications point to a record breaking attendance at the twenty-first annual meet of the League of American Wheelmen at Milwaukee next month. It is somewhat of a coincidence that the year in which this organization reaches its majority should also be the one in which it relinquishes control of bicycle racing.

With the L. A. W. and the N. C. A. working hand in hand to make the affair a success the meet is assured of a large attendance.

Plans have been laid in the Brewery City for a fine, well banked indoo track, on which the races will be held. The various committees have done their work well, and a very interesting programme is laid out. Already many wheeling organizations have planned to attend the meet in a body, those that are near enough making the journey on their machines. It is also probable that a very liberal rate will be secured over every railroad running into Milwaukee and that special privileges in the way

Old Penn was 165 feet and one-half inch. At the trials of the intercollegiof time extension will be allowed. For those who are interested in the racing end of the affair grand sport is beating the intercollegiate record of 149 promised, for, besides several national feet 5 inches made by McCracken in and international championships, many 1899. In practice on Franklin field Plaw interesting match races and open events, both amateur and professional, threw the hammer 170 feet 6 inches. This throw, which is greater than any have been arranged.

June 19 is the anniversary of our na tional game. On the 19th of June, 1846, the first game of baseball ever played what he may do by the time he reaches took place at Hoboken, N. J., the contestants being the New York and the end of his college life cannot be foretold. He began hammer throwing Knickerbocker baseball clubs.

JIMMY MICHAEL TO RACE AGAIN.



The return of Jimmy Michael to the cycle path is one of the most interest ing sporting events of the year. A few years ago the "Welsh Rarebit," as was called, was the undisputed king of the paced racers. Our wheelmer those days, however, were inexperienced at the paced game, and it rem to be seen whether the "Midget" can maintain his superiority. When Mid was racing some years ago, he used to be noted for the faithful manne which he did his training, and he is suid to be working just as hard now. E chael's first race of the season will be 20 miles, and he will be plited again two good men, each of whom will go half the distance. This race was arranged as a season will be a season will be be a season will be be a season will be a s as a sort of test of his staying powers. If he emerges with flying colors, will be matched against the best men in the country.



Sara Bernhardt, in her unpubli

memoirs, gives an interesting acc

of her first attempt at acting.

says: "In the convent of G

Champs, where I was brought a

was the custom to get up theatt

every year for St. Catherine's day.

ter Therese had written a piece al

dury

'Tobias' Jour-

ney,' and the

pupils were all

in high glee:

only I was in-

consolable, des-

Luise

an angel, but in Begged that I might

could not speak a word. I studied

part with her, but all in vain. At

I took courage, and, going to St

Therese, begged that I might play

The rehearsal was a success, and at

performance itself in my excitement

spoke much more than was in my H

ricals a special dish was served

those who had acted-cream; my fer ite. When it was handed round La Bugnet took my portion, saying, in

you played my part it is only just a I should eat your cream.' The te

started to my eyes-I was 10 years at the time-but Sister Therese, tak

me by the hand, led be to Bishop

bour, who presented me with a new telling me at the same time to delu

'Esther's Prayer' on the occasion of

next visit. But that never came

pass, for a few days later, after m

the chaplain, with deep emotion

formed us that Mgr. Sibour had b

BRITISH THEATRICAL CENSOR.

In England every theater must b

censed by the lord chamberlain

official of the queen's household. Es

tionary's examiner of plays in whose decision there is no appeal St

one who has studied the situation in

that the rules under which this can

acts are vague. He has nothing is with the literary quality of a play.

may be superb as literature or the s

est verbal imbecility; that does concern him. He simply inquire

the play a notorious offense again good taste? Does it make game of it eign statesmen or rulers? Is it deen if so, he will not permit it to be man public.

The present censor is G. A. Redit

murdered."

"At the dinner given after the the

and was much praised.

Bugnet, was to

her timidity



MS GRAW

this will be that the dropping of a few games more or less at the fag end of the season may make a material difference in the standing of a club.

The players on the Brooklyn team figure that they will win the pennant, with Philadelphia second and St. Louis third. There are lots of people, however, willing to bet on the chances of the Quakers to land in first place.

I have talked recently with several of the old timers of the green diamond, as well as with others who have watched the growth of the game with keen interest from the grand stands, and it seems to be the general opinion among these men that there have been no new baseball tricks invented this year. It was thought at the beginning of the season that the games would be so fast and so hotly contested that the players would have to resort to new devices to circumvent their rivals. But this does not appear to be the case.

Old tricks have been brought for ward, sometimes considerably disguised, though still recognizable, but it seems as if the brainy players of the days gone by had pretty well exhausted the possible list of startling plays, Nevertheless, it must not be imagined that because they work in the old ruts the players do not bestly themselves. The men are playing ball better than ever before. They do not dare be careless, for the circuit reduction has thrown a good many players on the market, and there are lots of good men ready to take the place of any one who allows a streak of yellow to appear in his work. The rearranging of the clubs, owing a result there never were such aggregations of herd hitters and stick wieldfor league uniforms. Just before the the old time catcher and present mansigned article that he did not think the and Missouri by St. Louis. players of today were any better than those of a decade or more ago.

remombered that strategic batting is league clubs as well nowadays practiced to an extent never games out of ten

among the ball tonsers makes it all the three.

show, and this one amazed the people

with its size and methods.

THE STAGE IN SUMMER TIME.

parade. Hermany never had a big tent | sensation in Paris.

THE FIVE HEAVIEST BATSMEN IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE. playing a stretch of 33 games without no better than the shoes would. Jimmie Michael was called the "Midget" an error. Johnnie McGraw is easily the star because he lacked the inches to be any thing else. Fred Titus in his popular base stealer and run getter of the

DELEHANT

League. He was third in the batting days was known as "Marble Heart" hecause he rode an individual race withorder last year and reached first base more often than any other player. Beout regard to any other rider. John sides his great record at the bat, he Lawson is known as "The Terrible played magnificently at third base. In Swede" because of his nationality and 25 games he made but one error, and the fact that he was terrible in a sprint. in another stretch of 30 games made but Jay Eaton won his name of "Indoor King" by inaugurating a speed in indoor races possible to no other rider.

In 1897 and 1898 Billy Keeler led the batsmen of the League, but the change Earl Kiser was called the "Dayton Dumpling" because he halled from in location last season worked ill with him, though at that he was fourth. He Dayton. The latter part of the name is made 20 hits in his first nine games said to have been given him by a woman who was much taken with his and batted safely in 24 straight games. successful efforts at a race meet one He was easily the finest outfielder in the League, his percentage being .978. day and who was impressed by his di-In his first 19 games he did not make minutive stature and his plumpness. an error, and in 43 games made but one Tom Cooper, last year's champion, was called "King" Cooper because of his misplay. From July 31 to Sept. 30 he took part in 47 straight games without ability to defeat other riders. an error, and his last 58 games were in a very peculiar manner. It was givmarred by but one, a showing hard to en to him in the manner of a slurring

duplicate Lajole of Philadelphia did wonderful work as usual last season, landing in fifth place among the batters. Lajole often makes sacrifice hits, which play havoc with his percentage, but help out the team. He hit safely in 26 out of his | was regarded as a sort of mild "crank" first 27 games. In three consecutive games he made 11 hits. During the season he made 20 doubles, 8 triples and 6 home runs. His fielding percentage was .960.

Although Freeman of the Boston team, who last year played with the Senators, was twenty-ninth on the list of batters, he is undoubtedly the hardest hitter in the major league. Freeman's specialty is home runs. His record last year was nothing short of phenomenal, comprising, as it did, 27 home runs, 24 triples and 16 doubles. He made 142 extra bases against 105 for Delehanty and 107 for Williams, though Delehanty outranks Williams, as he was at bat fewer times than the Pittsburg player. Four times Freeman made three home runs in five games and twice made three home runs in six ELBERT WOODSON. games.

THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

The American league bears the distinction of being the only baseball orworked Nichols for a base on balls, to the reduction of the circuit, caused ganization in existence that embraces stole second and third bases in succesmost of the managers to pay more at- as many states as it has clubs in its sion, while Holmes was getting a base tention to the batting department. As circuit. Although the major league on balls, Nichols pitching wide in order covers more territory, it has clubs in to give Clarke a chance to catch 'Mae.' but six states, as Pennsylvania has ers as are now playing in the eight ma. two teams-Philadelphia and Pittsburg -while New York has the Brooklyn and opening of the season "Buck" Ewing, New York clubs. The other states repremented are Massachusetts by Boston. ager of the New York team, said in a Ohio by Cincinnati, Illinois by Chicago

The American league has New York. his face, and before he could get the ball down 'Mac' had slid in and was ly-Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wising flat on his face, with one finger on They may not obtain higher percent- consin, Minnesota and Missouri, and the base. That run won the game, the ages, but at the same time it must be four of the eight states have major score being 5 to 4 in Baltimore's favor."

New York is clearly in the lead as a dreamed of ten years ugo. The pitching baseball center, with two major league department has in the same time im- clubs, an American league club, Rochesfullus Steger, W. G. Stewart and Helen proved even more than the batting | ter and Syracuse in the Eastern league Bortram will support Jerome Sykes in Pitchers who were considered phenom- and a state league. Ohio is doing quite the new opera, "Foxy Quiller." enal in the doys gone by would nowa- well with one major, one American and Bertram was the prima donna of the days be batted out of the box in nine five interstate league clubs, with Pennsylvania ranking next on account of Bostonians last season and will fill the same position in the Klaw & Erlanger The result of this improvement Atlantic league clubs to the number of Opera company.

when he was 12 years of age.

There is one man who won his title

criticism, but today he wears it in all

honor, being the only man in the world

who has ever ridden a mile faster than

a minute. "Mile a Minute Murphy," as

other riders call Charles M. Murphy,

or "boaster" because he promised to

ride a mile in a minute behind a rail

way train. Murphy got no end of ad-

vertising out of his proposed attempt.

but it did him no good. People pointed

out that other riders who had defeated

Murphy on the track were better fitted

to any such performance. Every one

knows how Murphy demonstrated that

he was the one fitted for this feat. He

had what other riders lack-the cour-

age of his convictions, a truly wonder-

ful nerve and the ability to pedal with

lightning speed where there was no

M'GRAW'S GREAT FEAT.

Speaking of players who have reach-

ed first and stolen second, third and

home, a scribe says: "McGraw accom

plished that feat in a game in Boston

in the afternoon of the 'Glorious

Fourth' last year. Clarke was catch-

ing. Two were out and nobody on bases

when 'Mac' came to bat in the sixth in-

ning of the game in question. He

"With 'Mac' on third and 'Ducky

on first, they started to steal simul-

taneously. Long ran in, getting Clarke

to throw right behind the pitcher, and

returned the hall to the plate, but

Clarke got the throw about as high as

HELEN BERTHAM'S NEW PART.

Paula Edwards, Harry MacDonough,

Miss

wind resistance.

petition.

AJOIE

On the 20th of this month the team of athletes from the University of Pennsylvania will sail for Europe in charge schoolboys on the other side of the At-of Trainer Mike Murphy. They will go lantic. The game, when first imported direct to Liverpool and will enter the English championships at London before crossing the channel for the international events at Paris. The team consists in the main of the

Plaw's best throw in the games against

ate games he made 154 feet 416 inches

amateur or professional record, will not stand because it was not made in com-

As Plaw is not yet of age and has not

attained his full strength and growth,

HENRY JEWETT OF "THE CHOIR INVISIBLE."



Henry Jewett, who created the role of David McFarland in "The Greatest Thing In the World" in the support of Sarah Cowell Le Moyne, is an Australian by birth and made his professional debut at Wellington, New Zealand, in 1880. For ten years he was a prominent figure on the Australian stage, rising from juvenile roles to the position of leading man with the most popular stars. In 1891 Mr. Jewett joined the Stockwell theater company, San Francisco, as leading man. His work there won him an engagement as leading man with Julia Marlowe. In the fail of 1894 Mr. Jewett joined Richard Mansfield's connany and created the character of Sergius in "Arms and the Man." He then joined Rose Coghlan, playing Julian Beauclere in "Diplomacy." In December, 1895, Mr. Jewett created the title role in "Benedict Arnold" at the Fifth Avenue theater, New York. After a summer at the head of his own company in Kansas City, Mr. Jewett again supported Richard Mansfield for a season, and played the king in Fanny Davenport's production of "Joan of Arc." He then joined Viola Allen and won great credit for his portrayal of John Storm in "The Christian." During the early part of last season Mr. Jewett appeared as John Grey, the Kentucky schoolmaster. in his wife's dramatization of James Lane Allen's novel "The Choir Invisible," winning such a success that he will next season be featured in a fine production of the play.

played is the result of evolution. It grew gradually out of the English game of rounders, which is still enjoyed by the city, where Madison Square Garden schoolboys on the other side of the At- now stands, and playing townball for from England to America, was called "townball." In this sport there were "corners" instead of bases. These were not guarded by the fielders, and the runners were put out by being hit with

The game of baseball as at present A number of well to do New Yorkers were in the habit of assembling on some vacant lots beyond the limits of recreation. It occurred to them that by making certain changes and modifications in the game it could be much improved. A great many informal discussions were held, and it was finally decided to make the proposed changes. Among these was the adoption of bases instead of corners and a harder ball with a rubber core covered with yarn and bound with leather. Men were also placed to guard the bases. The ball was thrown at them instead of directly at the runners. Owing to the prominence thus given to the bases it was de-

perate, for no part had been assigned to me. knew the whole piece by heart and shed cided to change the name of the game bitter tears at from townball to baseball. the rehearsals. One of my The players who gave birth to the friends.

greatest of outdoor sports formed themselves into an association to promote the welfare of the new game, and on Sept. 23, 1845, formed the first baseball club, to which they gave the name of Enickerbacker.

Thus our national game came into existence, and, although it has gone through many changes and endured many hard rubs, especially in recent years, it has continued to flourish like a green bay tree. The game quickly spread around New York, and a number of clubs were formed, with the result that the first match game, before mentioned, was played at Hoboken. Only four innings were played, as the rule then was that the club which first made 21 runs in equal innings won the game.

The growth of baseball outside of the limits of New York was very slow. It was not played in Philadelphia until 15 years later. Townball meanwhile continued to be played throughout the country, its adherents being very reluctant to substitute baseball for the old sport.

Baseball grew in spite of difficulties, however, and in time a national association, which was formed to govern it, made laws which were adhered to wherever the game was played. One of the first rules formulated by this organization debarred from membership in any club any player who played the game for emolument. The result of this was that between the years 1866 and 1871 baseball enjoyed its maximum of popularity. The grounds upon which the games were played were usually vacant lots, and crowds of from 10,000 to 30,000 were everyday occurrences. The rivalry became so intense that all sorts of inducements were offered the best players to join certain clubs. It was then but a step to the open payment of salaries. Thus the element of professionalism set in and in time led to the formation of the National league

and American association. LEO ETHERINGTON.

JAMES A, HERNE'S POPULARITY.

In addition to dedicating a new theater which is to bear his name, James A. Herne has been threatened with the honor of having a new brand of cigars named after him. The amusing part of it is that Mr. Herne does not smoke and had to take lessons in how to handle the pipe which he pretends to smoke

the illness of actors were it not for the A. C. Wheeler (Nym Crinkle) has fact that most of the illness in our proand general lack of consideration given the actors." Edward Harrigan will tour next sea-

The Japanese actors who had h The first dramatization of Harriet

of his composition entitled "Hans An- Darkness." dersen's Fairy Tales" had a first per-The Barnum-Balley circus exploited | which will be used to exploit in this itself in Hamburg by paying the street country the latest European novelty,

formance and elicited commendation for the young man's talents. rallway companies \$5,000 to stop all the Agoust family, a troupe of panto-Virginia Earle, Thomas Q. Seabrooke, their cars during the five hours of a mimic comedians which has created a W. P. Carlton and Dan Daly will ap-A grandson of Joseph Jefferson is a pear in "The Cadet Girl." musical composer in London. He is

The stage censors of Leipsic, Carls-John J. McNally is writing a new Harry Farjeon, son of the novelist. At ruhe and Stuttgart, Germany, lately popular taste, farce for Frank McKee, not yet named, a recent concert of the Westminster forbade the performance in those cities There will be another of Marion Craw- ing rooms. "I must confess," she says, Beecher Stowe's famous story, "Uncle playing in London.

Alice Nielsen is to have a new opera from the French.

New York is trying liquid air by way of cooling theaters. Some predict that the rush of popular season.

novels on the stage is to be so great next year as to produce a revulsion of

Orchestral society a suite for orchestra of Count Leo Tolstoi's "The Power of ford's books on the stage next year, 'Via Crucis," to be produced by Charles managers whose houses are closed by Frohman.

> written a play of New York life that | fession is caused by cold dressing rooms will be among the productions of next

Virginia Harned Sothern declares that one reason many theatrical folk son in a new version of "Old Lavender." are taken ill is because of poor dress-

again. I in his latest play, "Sag Harbor." "that I should feel more sympathy for Tom's Cabin." was produced at managers whose houses are closed by Troy museum, New York, in 1852 the Illness of actions are closed by Troy museum, New York, in Arbury

Augustus Thomas, entitled 'Treat of Yale."

making a tour of this country are a

public.

fore we marvel at censorial consistent

Julia Marlowe denies emphating the reports that she intends to mark

Willie Collier will have a new par

It is a matter of passing interest a this stern official found nothing an tionable in "Sapho," "The Desense or "The Gay Lord Quex," in which named play John Hare is to ad However, "The Lady of the Can Has" is forbidden in England, wat America next season.

It is reported that Julia Arthurs ter, Flora Fairchild, will star it former's plays next year.



