

NED CRANE WAS A GREAT PITCHER.

During the Very Early Days Of
The Game of Baseball.

INCIDENTS IN HIS CAREER.

One Who Knew Him Well Tells Of
How He Twirled Against Great
Players.

Writing of Ned Crane, I will refer to a couple of instances wherein the big, good-natured fellow, "turned down" Uncle Daniel Shannon, writes a Wilkesbarre man to the Sporting News. On Saturday, June 22, 1885, Uncle Daniel arranged with Toronto for a double bill, owing to a rain on the previous days. Campbell was pitted against Ned Crane that day in the first game and at the close of the first half of the fifth inning Wilkesbarre had a lead by a score of 5 to 0, and only two or three hits charged against him. Big Crane started off his fifth with a single, his second one in the game, and the Canadians made two scores, while in the sixth they worked two more men over the plate and Crane died in one of his bases after having made another single.

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Four times the game was tied up and the ninth inning—the last half—saw the score 4 to 4, and Coakley had two out. Big Crane was at the bat and Coakley had two strikes and the game was in the hands of the pitcher. The Saturday previous Crane had won a game in the ninth inning with a home run drive over the left field fence and at about the grounds there came a stormy cry for Ned to "Remember last Saturday" and "Hit it over the fence." Crane caught on the fly, and with a swift one and hit the ball with full force and it went out on a line scarcely fifteen feet from the ground. "Old Pop" Lott, who in left field, came in a step or two and then retreated. The ball was just out of reach of "Pop" and cleared the fence not more than eight or ten inches.

It was one of those line hits that go out to almost a curve, and it seemed to raise just about an inch or two to the yard. Crane trotted around the circuit and won his game. The Canadians cheered him for a space of time that seemed full five minutes. There was no music in the air. Crane caught on the fly, and with a swift one and hit the ball with full force and it went out on a line scarcely fifteen feet from the ground. "Old Pop" Lott, who in left field, came in a step or two and then retreated. The ball was just out of reach of "Pop" and cleared the fence not more than eight or ten inches.

OUTLAWS REMAIN OUTLAWS.

Unless All Concessions Are Granted,
They Will Refuse to Join Nationals.

A dispatch from San Francisco says:
The Pacific Coast league will again ignore
the National association unless all con-

cessions are granted them asked for when Hart, Johnson and Hanlon arrive here the end of the month. Parkie Wilson is the only manager in favor of joining the minor league organization, but Morley and Harris will require great pressure to be brought to bear to move them from the stand they have taken.

WHO OWNS TACOMA?

Pacific National and Outlaws Claim the
City—Lucas Denies Rumor.

Tacoma, Jan. 11.—W. H. Lucas, of the Pacific National league, has called a meeting of the directors to be held at Spokane next Saturday afternoon to arrange a circuit for this season. He denies the statement that the Pacific National league has deserted Tacoma. Michael Fisher of the Pacific Coast league is in the city, but he is not here to organize a stock company.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 11.—That Tacoma is the Pacific Coast league today became an assured fact when the new club leased the grounds located at Eleventh and K streets, used as a park for the past few years. The grounds are centrally located and will be entirely re-built. Articles of incorporation of the new company will be filed this week, and will include nearly all of the stockholders who were prominent financially in last year's club.

POOL ROOMS TO CLOSE.

Unless Telegraphic Company Is Induced
To Modify the Prices.

New York, Jan. 12.—Of the 400 pool-rooms which have been doing business recently in this city, and its suburbs, it is said that 300 will be forced to close their doors, unless the telegraph company, which has been the cause of the trouble, from the race tracks is persuaded to modify the scale of prices just announced. Although the proprietors of the rooms have generally staid off the police and have repeatedly have routed private detectives employed to harass them, they admit they are powerless to meet the present crisis. The notice they received from the telegraph company says:

"Beginning Thursday our service will be charged for at the rate of \$25 for each set of races for each room using our service, and indirectly, we have this day appointed 10 inspectors, and they must have ready access to all rooms at any hour of the day."

"If the telegraph or telephone connections must make a report to the telegraph company, stating how much money is being lost, and how many connecting rooms full will be charged."

"Our inspectors must have the privilege of inspecting all rooms, and if they fail to comply with their demands will result in causing service to be cut off and the rooms will be closed."

It is said the price heretofore was \$17 for each room. By syndicating and using telephones many rooms were supplied with the news at nominal cost.

The poolroom keepers are cast down, to say the least, and there is no way to circumvent the new order of things. It simply means that many will be compelled to quit.

RACES AT OAKLAND.

Sport Was Marked by Close Finishes—
Glendinning and Judge. Winners.

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—Interesting sport was witnessed at Oakland today and some of the events were marked by close finishes. Glendinning lasted the longest in the eighth race to win by a nose from Escalante, and in the 5-year-old race Judge beat The Mighty by the head of noses, after a struggle through the stretch. Saleable, a 30 to 1 shot, upset calculations by taking the dash for 3-year-olds.

Harry Robinson, trainer of Optimo, but she was retained. Robinson, acting for the Ogden High School team and with state teams. The association decided not to put a basketball team in the field this season. It is no desirable practice ground available.

BENEFIT AT MELLER'S.

Entertainment at Skating Rink for Families
of Murdered Carmen.

A good game was realized at Meller's skating rink yesterday afternoon, in the contests there in aid of the families of the murdered Carmen. Four men participated in the three mile race, viz: Johnnie Williams, Francis Myers, Harry Weiss and Herman Kessler. Williams winning by a third of a lap, with Myers second. In a two-mile race following between Williams and Kallit Chapman, Williams again won. Between the contests Messrs. Whittick, John Nelson and Charles Reese gave exhibitions of fancy skating.

Mamie Pleasant Dead.

San Francisco, Jan. 11.—Mrs. Mary Pleasant, who was known to San Franciscans for many years as Mamie Pleasant, died today at an advanced age. She was a colored woman of wealth and one of the best known characters in the city. She figured prominently in the famous attempt of Sarah Althea Hill to prove herself the wife of the late Senator Sharon, and was an equally conspicuous figure in the prolonged litigation over the estate of Millionaire Thomas Bell. For many years she was a member of the Bell household. Many romantic stories of her career have appeared in print. She is said to have been born a slave. In her later years she was noted for her charity towards the people of her own race.

Events at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 11.—Favorites divided honors with outsiders at Ascot park today, but the winning first choices were all at almost prohibitive odds and there was light betting on them. The result was that the field held a goodly balance in their favor when the program was finished.

First race, Staucon course, selling—To Gratiot won, Effervescence second, Evander third. Time—1:11.

Second race, five furlongs—Peggy Miller won, Clear second, Woodcliff third. Time—37.

Third race, five furlongs, selling—Eugene B won, Ceyron second, Lady Luck third. Time—1:02.

Fourth race, mile, selling—Henry Clay Ryan won, Lunar second, Greenock third. Time—1:45.

Fifth race, six furlongs, selling—Bliss-

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ful won, Neko second, Buelouth third.
Time—1:15.

Sixth race, one mile, selling—Canejo won, Ultrada second, Schwartzwald third.
Time—1:34.

They are Matched.

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Tommy Ryan, the middleweight champion pugilist, today posted his \$500 forfeit for a fight with Jack O'Brien of Philadelphia, the middle- and heavy-weight champion of England. O'Brien also posted his forfeit. The men will battle for a purse of \$500 on the night of Jan. 27 at the National Athletic club in this city.

Will Fight Again.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 11.—The Milwaukee Boxing club today rematched Aurelio Herrera, the Mexican, and Charles Neary of this city to meet in a six-round bout on Jan. 22. The articles call for 120 pounds at 5 o'clock on the day of the bout.

THE QUEENSBURY RULES.

George Siler Writes Interestingly on the
Subject of Boxing.

"When we are speaking of boxing rules," says George Siler, "does it ever occur to anybody that there are very few men who know the rules, even among referees, and also, does anyone ever stop to think that no fights are fought under the Queensbury rules?"

The Queensbury rules are strictly laid down are not followed at any club. There is nothing in these rules providing that a man can hit while clinching or hold on with one hand. Those rules also say that when you knock a man down you must get up within ten seconds, and if you do not, you retire to your corner, if, as often happens, you had knocked the other fellow down in that corner? Could you retire to the other man's corner? Not very conveniently.

Bouts are really booked nowadays under the rules which governed Bennett and Fitzsimmons at Carson City in 1897.

"People have also asked me," adds the veteran, "why I give boxers who have been apparently landing the most blows a losing verdict if they land their whacks with the open glove. Schreck for instance, and Rottford, have lately been adjudged losers by me for open-handed slapping when many of the crowd thought they were being very consistent."

"I consider that it is necessary to stop that kind of slap-work. The boxer who simply taps with the tip of the glove has, of course, several inches advantage in reach over the fellow who hits with the closed hand. If men who slapped that way could get verdicts for doing it, how long would it be before dozens of fighters would be doing the same trick, and boxing bouts would be turned into ridiculous slapping matches."

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS.

Students Organize and Select Temporary
Officers to Serve Until Spring.

The Athletic association of the Salt Lake High School met yesterday afternoon, and chose Nels Sorenson as temporary manager and Harry Blint as temporary captain to act until the track team is selected in the spring when permanent officers will be elected. The association is in good financial condition now, has a balance of \$200 in its treasury after settlement of all obligations. It is believed that spring meets can be arranged with the Ogden High School team and with state teams. The association decided not to put a basketball team in the field this season. It is no desirable practice ground available.

PRODUCTION OF GOLD.

The production of gold in Alaska with some fluctuation, has steadily increased since 1898, when it amounted to only \$2,317,121. In 1902 it reached the sum of \$2,345,800. Silver has not been produced only in limited quantities and other mineral products while reported have not yet been extensively exploited.

LEGISLATION NEEDED.

The committee calls attention to the fact that Congress has provided a good government for the district of Alaska, but substantial legislation calculated to aid the people in the development of great areas of gold and copper production territory is needed. Outside the few and scattered settlements called towns, most of which are only the centers of mining interests, there is not to be found a single public wagon road over which vehicles can be drawn summer or winter. In that connection the committee says:

DEVELOPMENT CONTINGENT.

"The development of Alaska depends more on the improvement of transportation facilities than on any other one instrumentality. Substantially everything consumed by the people and everything required to carry on business must be brought in from the outside. The inactivity of our government is manifest. It has done nothing to relieve this condition. The ac-

DILLINGHAM'S REPORT ON ALASKA

Tells of Conditions, Resources
And Legislative Needs Of
The Territory.

COUNTY NEEDS WAGON ROADS.

Fish a Source of Wealth Equal to
Gold—Many Abuses Under
The Mining Law.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Senator Dillingham, from the committee on territories, introduced in the senate today the report of a sub-committee consisting of Senators Dillingham, Burnham, Nelson and Patterson which visited Alaska during the last summer and made a thorough investigation of existing conditions, resources and legislative needs of the territory. The committee visited Matlakatla, Kotzebuk, Fort Wrangel, Juneau, Douglas Island and then Treadwell mines, Kaktovik mission, where the government is now establishing a military post, Skagway, White Pass, Lake Lebarge, Lewes River, Dawes, St. Michael, Eagle City, Fort Yukon, Circle City, Rampart, Fort Gibbon, Nome, St. Paul Island, the headquarters of the sealing industry, Dutch Harbor and Unalaska, Karluk, Kodiak, Valdez and Sitka. As a result of the inquiries the committee has made many recommendations to Congress.

SALMON INDUSTRY.

The report says that in 1902 the output of canned salmon from Alaska was 2,631,329 cases valued at about \$5,000,000, from which the government derived a revenue of \$105,255. The committee recommends that some provision be made for propagating salmon in sufficient quantities to insure the permanency of the supply. The present law requiring the establishment of a hatchery by each company and the planting of 10 red salmon for each red salmon caught the report says cannot be enforced without great disproportionate expense.

The committee also recommends that the business of hatcheries be established by the general government at as many places as may be found necessary, the great expense to be laid on those in the salmon industry in proportion to the amount of the respective product of each concern.

COD AND HERRING.

The report says that the great wealth to be derived in the cod, herring and halibut fisheries of Alaskan coast is little comprehended because few have sought it. The committee predicts that the annual catch of cod can be made to exceed that of New England or any other part of the world. Whether the climatic conditions of the region which militate against successful curing of fish can be overcome, has not been fully determined.

CONDITION OF INDIANS.

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"As soon as gold was discovered in the region of the Klondyke, the Dominion government immediately began the construction of roads leading from Dawson to the camps."

"It now has 225 miles of thoroughly built roadways over which the heaviest freighting is done. The results are indicated by the fact that in 1902 when the Canadian-Yukon miner could have flour delivered to him at \$3 per 100 pounds, the American miner at Chick-creek had to pay \$32. In the summer of 1903 when the Canadians paid \$1.50 for his flour, his American friend was paying \$18. The difference in the price of flour and bacon in the two places were nearly 23 cents per pound. The price of condensed cream was doubled to the Americans, the same potatoes were three times as great to the Americans. What is true of this district is equally true of the copper river valley, the Tanana, the Koyukuk and other gold fields before mentioned."

SYSTEM OF WAGONROADS.

The committee is of the opinion that great obligation rests on the United States to adopt a system of wagonroads for the relief of miners in the American territory. It says a well constructed wagonroad should connect the waters of the Pacific with those of the Yukon river at Eagle. The distance is about 400 miles. With this road built, Eagle, by reason of her location, should be the distributing point for American goods for a great portion of the Yukon basin.

MINING LAW ABUSES.

The report says so many and varying are the abuses practised under the mining laws that the committee made a general investigation of complaining and recommended amendments to the laws. Among the important changes asked is that there be required a certain amount of assessment work on each mining claim staked out as a prerequisite to the right to have the claim recorded; that the assessment work to be done on each claim during each subsequent calendar year shall be largely increased in amount, and that no person shall be allowed to stake out or locate, or hold except by purchase more than one mining claim on the same creek.

The fur seal industry is treated extensively by the committee, but the announcement is made that this industry will be given separate consideration.

It is recommended that the government improve the harbor at St. Michael in order to permit unobstructed passage of the steamship line, and also that improvements be made at the mouth of the Snake river in order to permit the safe landing of passengers to Nome.

JUSTICE HARD TO GET.

Alaska is divided into three judicial districts. The committee says that on account of the great size of these districts and poor transportation facilities, it is practically impossible in some sections to get justice. A fourth judicial district is recommended.

The committee says the general opinion among all classes is that Alaska should be represented by a delegate in Congress.

In a number of sections of Alaska, the committee encountered agitation for the establishment of territorial government and the election of an assembly. This is not recommended by the committee, however, as from the best data it obtained the committee believes permanent white population of Alaska today will not exceed 20,000.

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WAS IT A LOVE LETTER?

How the Question was Best Answered.

She had been writing two letters, one to her lover telling him not to call again—that she could not bear the sight of his face; the other to a dear friend telling her how badly she felt to give him up, that it was simply impossible to do otherwise—she had unpleasant forebodings about their future happiness—she was too miserable and would not ruin the life of any man. She knew that in her present nervous condition she "made mountains out of mole hills," she had tip of despondency that lasted for days, with headache, backache, and all those dragging-down feelings so common to women. Before her lover could realize the dreadful portent of her letter she had received a letter of good advice from her friend, which read: "Dear girl, don't be despondent; you are only going through the dreadful experience I have had, and many times in consequence I have wished myself dead. It was then that a friend advised me to send thirty-one cents in one-cent stamps for a splendid book in cloth cover; it was the Common Sense Medical Adviser, by Dr. R. V. Pierce, of Buffalo, N. Y. I found that my symptoms were only attributable to improper care of myself, and I wrote Dr. Pierce all about it. He soon replied that I should take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, a medicine made entirely of vegetable ingredients, without the use of alcohol, which was fitted for the diseases peculiar to women. He felt certain it would cure me, so that is why I am so well to-day, my dear, and you can't begin that same treatment too soon." That is how the question of the lover's return was best answered, for the "Favorite Prescription" brought about a complete change in the woman's condition. She became happy and cheerful; her pains and aches, her headaches and backaches disappeared, together with those feelings of nervousness and irritability. It was not long before the lovers were making plans to have a June wedding, and so, "they lived happy ever after."

THE STRAIN ON WOMANHOOD.

The strain upon the young woman at an early period, upon the nerve and blood forming structures, may be too great for her strength. Disorders of the essentially female structure are nearly always dependent upon the defective nutrition of these reproductive organs. Therefore our efforts should be to aid nature in helping the young girl into womanhood. Treatment should be directed to the special female organs and the body as a whole.

Dr. R. V. Pierce, the specialist in women's diseases, of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., has made women's diseases for the past

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THE BONDS OF MATRIMONY.

When the love which unites husband and wife loses its magnetic quality, and the wife is constantly finding fault—jealous and worn out with household cares and little worries—she feels irritable, and the husband loses his interest and fondness for the family fire-side, more than likely romance has fled at the touch of illness. The home may be jangled and out of tune, and the wife is constantly finding fault—jealous and worn out with household cares and little worries—she feels irritable, and the husband loses his interest and fondness for the family fire-side, more than likely romance has fled at the touch of illness. The home may be jangled and out of tune, and the wife is constantly finding fault—jealous and worn out with household cares and little worries—she feels irritable, and the husband loses his interest and fondness for the family fire-side, more than likely romance has fled at the touch of illness. 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