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THE struggle for the amateur cy- | be confounded with the old fashioned The strugge for the inneeds by be contained with the oil rashoned cling championship is now on in lawn game played for social purposes. Frank Kramer and George H. Collett-were head and shoulders above the rest of the aspirants, and Kramer won the to lawn golf! thic. This moson, with these two rid-

the context is more open. There are at this season in paced events behind a least a dozen possible champions in the motor cycle has astonished the cycling Wahrenberger. Luke, Schöfield and Denny of New York; Bedell of New Fenn of Connecticut, Hickman son now holds all the professional of Alabama and Wilson of Pennsylva- paced records between two and 35 miles,

Buffalo has secured the championship him ride for all he is worth he is sure meet, and the races will be run off on to lower these, figures considerably, the quarter mile coment track there on Nelson is a Swede and has only been in Sopt 12 and 15 under the auspices of the 1 this country three years. He is a nat-

any other pace follower and one which his rivals have in vain tried to imitate. When in a race, Nelson gets his head lirectly back of the rear pacemaker, with his face and body well over, so that his whole frame is sheltered comletely by the man in front of him.

Followers of the sport are wondering now how Harry Elkes would fare in a ace with Nelson, and the concensus of pinion seems to be that Nelson would win. If such a race could be arranged to take place late in the fall, it would form a fitting climax to a season of splendid sport.

On April 1, 1900, the League of Amercan Wheelmen had a membership of 38,000 odd. On the 1st of July the membership had dropped to a little over 27,000. This is a loss of 11,000 in the ery three months of the year when the gain ought to be greatest, as that the time when most of the bicycle Iding is done. Since the 1st of July the membership has gone on decreasing When the L. A. W. relinquished its nominal control of racing last spring,

was said that, having rid Itself of hat incubus, the membership would go p with leaps and bounds, but time has oved the reverse to be the case, and the loss has never been so fast as during the past few months. I asked Mr. John B. Uhle the other

day to what he attributed this great falling off in membership. Mr. Uhle is a member of the rights and privileges make use of the bunt was Dicky committee of the L. A. W. and is also one of the committee appointed at the assembly meeting last February to re-vise the league constitution. Mr. Uhle's reply was brief and to the point:

"Because wheelmen have got into the habit of asking what they get for their dollar when they join the L. A. W., and

A Baseball REVE Veteran's

In His Opinion Many Changes In the National Game Have Not Been Improvements.

A has followed the game very closely from its infancy got to talking about his favorite sport the other day. He is a Missourian, and 25 years ago was living in St. Louis. He seldom was a college boy, tall, slim and refined the spectators object. Baseball enthuwas absent from a big game in those



HENRY E. DIXEY AS FRANCOIS.

One of the treats of the coming theatrical season will be the stellar appearance of Henry E. Dixey in Langdon Mitchell's dramatization of Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's Interesting and powerful novel, "The Adventures of Francois." In the illustration Mr. Dixey is shown in costume as Francois. There is probably no actor in the United States who has a larger personal following convinced of the transcendent quality of his genius than this same Henry E. Dix-ey, and, inasmuch as the protean role of "The Adventures of Francois" ought to fit him like the proverbial glove, there is no reason why his stellar venture should not be one of the conspicuous successes of the present season.

looking. His catcher was 'Reddy' Mil- slasts will sit and enjoy a good contest ler, who was his very antithesis in eveven if it is spun out over two and a ery way. Miller was stubby, brawny, half hours if they are watching sci-"When a hit is made nowadays which is stopped by an infielder, it is the rule for him to hold the ball for an instant erward died of injuries received in a lays due to squabbles. In my young collision on the ballfield." days games were usually longer than

I asked my friend what he thought they are now, and yet the spectators send it fair and square into the mitt of were the principal reasons for the great patiently sat them out. I remember

THE LATEST GOLF BALL expert exponents of baseball, Having to other interest in the game, if any rowdylam or other interruptions occur, The newest golf ball is a "bounder."

he is not likely to go again. The only team that I ever saw that behaved perfectly both on and off the field was the champion Detroit club of the early eighties. That was an aggregation of players each member of which was a gentleman. One could go to a game in which they played and be certain that there would be nothing but straight ball playing from the word go. the fact that they won the champion-hip proves that a team need not stoop glove over the inside part of the hall. The heart of the ball is a small cube of gutta percha. While this is soft in end of a thread of the best Para rule o dirty ball playing and underhand nethods to win success.

"I have read several times in the newspapers that one of the reasons for the decline of interest is the undue crack aggregation and was the first to length of the games. I think it is to the introduce the college player to the pro- frequent interruptions rather than to fessional arena. Bradley, the pitcher, the time consumed by the playing that

hardens it is tightly wrapped with the rubber thread, much as a baseball is wound with cord, until the desired d. mension is attained. The next process mension is attained. The heat process is to mold on the shell, when, after he usual coats of white paint, the ball he ready for play. It is the invention of Coburn Haskell, one of the governorse the Cleveland Golf club, who has bee experimenting with the hall for the years. It is now practically perfects. but none will be put on the market w til next spring. The cost will be about twice as much as the regular ball. The rubber filing adds greatly to the restiency of the ball, and the lavente claims that an ordinary player my easily drive from 240 to 200 sards every time. Iron shots carry in the same way, and the ordinary cop bunker of trap is not a pitfall, for the ball usually i bounds over all obstacles. In puting the lightest tap will send the ball the length of the green.

Nothing like it has ever been known in the game. In appearance, size and

weight the new ball looks the same as

the standard guita percha ball, but the

resemblance, as the adage tells of beau.

ty, is only skin deep. The skin is a shell

of pure gutta percha, a fraction less

than an eighth of an inch thick, which is compressed in the mold to fit like a glove over the inside part of the ball

ber is stuck in it. As the gutta percha

fright of the green, "The inevitable result," shid one of the firm to handle the ball next spring, "d the use of our ball will be that all the

golf links must be lengthuned " All amateurs who have tried the ban concede that nothing like it has eve been seen for carry and roll. One player who has tried the ball in its different. stages of development asserts that i slugging driver cannot get a longs average of distance with it than in m dinary ball, but that it improves vasty the carrying power of a player who has little strength in the swing.

"Besides," said this player, "there h no click when the club head catches the ball, and the feeling is like driving of a mass of putty. No one can put weil with them, either, for they are so fast and bounce so over the slightest inequal ity that feather wands would have to be substituted for putters to do good work on the green."

One thing is certain. The ball will carry farther than any ball ever use carry farther than any fast ever and on our links. Should it come into gen-eral use the present game would be revolutionized, if one-half that is claimed for the new ball be true.

SHAKESPEARE IN YIDDISH.

In the Yiddish theaters of New York sometimes the plays of Shakespear and others of the classics are made over. Take "King Lear" for example. The birs become in the The king becomes in this modern version a well to do Hebrew merchant in a city of southern Russia. This merhant is a noble character, devoutly reigious. He follows a custom comment iong European Hebrews-that of de viding his wealth with his children as migrating, with his wife, to the Holyand, there to spend his declining days n prayer and quiet, living supported by his small annuity. But the wranglings of his children in money matters bring him and his faithful spouse back to the old home. He is now penis less, thanks to the thieving of his son. in-law, and he is dependent upon the bounty of his ungrateful daughters.

LATEST IN PRESS AGENTS.

How is this for the latest thing !



social organization. Nowadays a great many men use their wheels as a means of locomotion, and the L. A. W. should have met the new conditions. Instead of employing an up to date policy, how. ever, the association has been conducted by a number of old members who are ten or more years behind the times.

"There is a large and growing field of usefulness for a go ahead organiza-tion just now, and if the league were to fill the want it would have an overflowing membership. A great many cyclists who join the league do so because they wish to make a tour on their ma-

days," said he, "and it has certainly done a good deal toward making baseball scientific. The bunt, however, was known and used in the old days, though it did not receive that appellation until about a decade ago. The first man to Pearce, who was captain of the St.

fielder and leader, but he had one weakness-he couldn't hit. had a belt line measurement of about 46 inches and weighed close on to 200 pounds. Dicky could no more hit the put out his bat and allowed the ball to strike it. The players were all on to him, and he never by any chance fool-ed them by making a long hit, so that

seemed to them a brilllant fielding effort. In those days the ball had more subber in it than now, and consequentfield, at least 20 or 30 yards farther out than the average hit would land. He ould drop.

"When a hit was made, instead of yould sprint forward like a cannon thot, as if he had misjudged the length when going at full speed just when it seemed that he would be too late. Of ourse, everybody would cheer and and then, taking another squint at i oun as hard as he could to his old posidifficult catch. Cuthbert was a very while waiting for a fly to drop, he

ture getting flag or two to get his bearings and then

Louis club in 1375. He was a great

"Pearce was about 5 feet 7 in height, ball than he could fly, and always just they made it a practice to play in very lose when he was at the bat.

days, and, being a player himself, he

The conversation turned on the many

changes that have been made in the

game since he used to play ball, "We

hear a great deal of the bunt bowa-

mingled considerably with the boys.

There was a player on the St. Louis cam at that time named Ed Cuthbert, He was a left fielder, and his great deight was to 'play to the grand stand.' He would make every chance he had look as difficult as possible, just to induce the spectators to shout at what bert's habit to stand very deep in the had a very accurate eye and could gauge to a nicety just where the ball

getting under the ball as quickly as possible, he would stand where he was, juletly watching it. Then auddenly he of the hit. He would catch the ball clap, and then he would be satisfied. Sometimes I have seen him, when he cnew the ball was going to fall just where he stood, run back 15 or 20 yards ion and make what looked like a very ervous fellow. If he had stood still

yould have been sure to miss it, and e therefore acted in that fashion to in-



JIM FERNS, THE "KANSAS RUBE."

Last February Matty Matthews won the welterweight championship from "Mysterious Billy" Smith, who had held the title some fine, Since then, how-ever, it has twice changed hands. Matty Matthews was defeated by Eddie Connelly of Nova Scotia. Jim Ferns, known as the "Kansas Rube," recently won the title by defeating Connelly.

Ramblers' Bicycle club. The races will ural bicycle rider and took to the wheel be at the standard championship dis-tances of a quarter, third and half mile of age and is in the bytweight diviand five miles. The point system of champion at that distance.

country changed the name of their fa- record. vorife sport to roque, so that the mod- Nelson has never found the pace too

sion, tipping the scales at 133 pounds. scoring will prevail-five for first place. He is very compactly built and looks three for second, two for third and one oven lighter than he really is. Nelson for fourth. The winner of most points began his record breaking career as an will be the amateur champion for the amateur and still bolds the amateur coming season, but for the winner of records from three to 20 miles against each distance will be the amateur time. He also holds the competition figures from 20 to 63 miles, as well as the two hour record, the 100 kllometer Last year the croquet experts of this record and the one hour competition

ern scientific game as played at the fast, which is a unique record of itself. whom he will costume most el championship tournaments might not i He has a style of riding different from 'In dazzling spiendor of colors.

THE OPENING OF THE SEASON.

will produce this season.

Daniel Frohman has accepted Abby

a new comedy, called "The Startled with David Belasco on a new play, is erto prohibited its performance. Fawn," which, it is said, E. H. Sothern the author of Charles E. Hanford's new A new play which Charles Fr piny, "Private John Allen."

Stanley Weyman's "Sophia" and an pany at the New York Metropolitan Sarah Cowell Le Moyne, Otis Skinner opera House next winter. Sarah Cowell Le Moyne, Otis Skinner and Eleanor Robson are rehearsing are rehearsing and Eleanor Robson are rehearsing are

hines and wish to get some needed information as to routes, etc. Under the present system they may get the desired information, and, again, they may not, but the chances are that if they

"The L. A. W. as now constructed is made up of state organizations, with national headquarters at Boston. Some of the officers at the latter city are now striving to have the constitution shall be done away with and the whole and it now looks as if the change will called 'Dutch,' because he invariably be made, the membership will go down wore the peculiar peaked caps affected were seen around the various resorts fact, I would not be surprised if the L man never stood up to receive the ball folks would go to the games to see their and the members will get for their money a ticket of membership andwhatever else Boston may see fit to let them have,

"As a matter of fact, it would be better to have the headquarters in New York. Business men in that city have a quicker and more up to date way of doing business than obtains at the Hub, and if the league were to transfer its head offices to New York these methods would soon be adopted. The L. A. W, has made arrangements by means of which its members who tour Europe get special privileges. Nearly all the European travel goes out of New York harbor. If a man wishes to go to Europe and auddenly hears of these advaniages under present conditions, he has to wait at least two weeks before he can get a membership card. If the league headquarters were in Gotham, public opinion would soon change all that.

"If the league would drop politics and the side issues it has lately taken. ip and give wheelmen what they want ntend of trying to get them to join by such played out premium schemes as fering them accident insurance for mall sums, wheelmen would not only e willing to join, but would be willing o pay several dollars for membership ights. They will give up their cash lickly enough if they think they are etting their money's worth, but not a ent otherwise."

LEO ETHERINGTON.

FRANK M'KEE'S NEW FARCE."

Frank McKee will make a most clabrate production of the new musical arce adapted from the German come-"In Himmelhof," in which he will star Peter F. Daly-"Hodge, Podge & He will employ 20 principals and horus of 46 handsome young women hom he will costume most elaborately

player, as the case may be. In the old fielder, just as soon as he got the ball, do get it, it will be so slow in arriving sult there were far more wild throws player to adopt the modern style of holding the ball in this way before

throwing it was Sutton of the Bostons. Hague of the St. Louis club quickly imitated him, and the practice soon beso altered that the state organizations Hague was greatly alded in this new very quickly to 10,000 and even less. In by members of German bands. Dehl- and got to be known and liked, and A. W. were to go out of existence under those conditions. State organizations with the toe of his shoe on the bag, be 'Nowadays a man goes

lays, however, it was the rule for the cited, but, in my opinion, two stand out. 65 to 63 in our favor. Of course, those of James Lane Allen's "The Choir Invisto slam it to its destination, without on the field; the other is one that prob- nevertheless, the pitchers' battles of entists. Henry Jewett, who is a Christhan are seen now. The first prominent refer to the constant trading of players in which there were plenty of hitting ton, a Christian Scientist stronghold. from one club to another. Just when and running." the people of a town have come to like a certain player he is sold or transferred to some other club, and thereafter is seen playing against his old associates. This is probably unavoidable. but It has caused people to lose that style of play by the method adopted by patriotic interest in the home team that business of the league concentrated un- the first base man of the team. His used to obtain when the majority of the der one head at Boston. If this is done, name was Dehiman, and he was always players were well known by the citi-

are a necessity, and without them very leaned forward as far as possible with game not because he knows the play- ing duty upon a hansom cab after his little can be accomplished. If the contemplated change be made, it will sim- having to send a ball to him that would home team wins or not. All he cares ply transform the organization into a reach him fairly high it had only to about is to see a good game between



JOSEPH M'GINNITY, THE "IRON MAN."

Joe McGinnity of the Brooklyn Baseball club is probably the best pitcher in the National league this year. He has pitched in over a third of the games won by the Superbas this season.

Justin Huntley McCarthy has finished. Tennessee," and who is to collaborate erto prohibited its performance. In that recently organized society of batar. Copiey's ramous picture. The Battle of Jersey," in the National gal-Strong," in which Marie Burroughs is A new play which Charles Frohman the White Rats of America "Rats" is lery, London, has proved of particular startling posters.

decline of interest in baseball of re- pltching in one game that lasted from press agents? It is the intention of is cent years. Said he: "Many might be half past 1 to 7 o'clock. The score was producers to make the dramatization One of them is, of course, rowdyism were enormous figures even then, but, ibie" appeal strongly to Christian Sciably could not be avoided, now that today are not nearly so interesting to tian Scientist himself, is to star in this baseball is a commercial enterprise. I the spectators as the old time contests play, and the season will open in Bas-

ELBERT WOODSON.

WHAT BECOMES OF THE RACERS? Frederick M. Ware of the American larly engaged as press agent by the Horse Exchange was discussing the Liebler company. thoroughbred market the other day in an interesting yein. Said he:

"Has it ever occurred to you to wonder what becomes of the race horses that are not successful upon the track? For my part I am free to confess that I haven't the faintest notion where they | the show." go or what missions in life they fulfill.

"Nowadays a man goes to a ball find a thoroughbred once in a while do-In the old Guttenberg days you would useless upon the turf. But the cab He sat one night in a Paris theater and horses nowadays haven't the contour or beside him sat his guest, a friend who for racing purposes. Of course, the dis- amusement and made a living by dabcarded racers must go somewhere, for bling in things theatrical. At the end there are more of them than ever. Race | of the first act the manager, delighted. their stable slfted out a great deal more rigidly than formerly. Almost univerwhich are incapable of winning, they which are incapable of winning, they set rid of these, even if they have to live them away. But who gets them, and what is done with them, are mys-

teries which I am quite incapable of solving."

USEFUL TIRE TAPE.

It has often been asked of the touring yelists what is considered the most useful article to effect a repair, and inariably the answer is;

If you have some tire tape in your tool bag, you can always feel pretty in his hands. One night his mother

Every rider has discovered that the tape is useful for many purposes other than that of binding a puncture. It has been discovered that, next to the wrench, tire tape is indispensable. The tape can be used to fasten loose grips or be wound around handle bars as a substitute for grips. When a nut has een so much burred at its edges that the wrench will not take hold, a piece of tape wound around the nut will form a temporary shoulder, so that the wrench will catch the nut and turn it.

When a spoke is broken, to keep it from interfering with others a piece of tire tape wound around the broken part will keep it in place. When the ement refuses to hold and the tire 'creeps," tape will effect an immediate remedy. For cut fingers or toes tire songs, tike a gorgeous cascade of melape is a first class substitute for adhesive plaster. These are only a few tie can now be heard. He sang in of the uses the tape can be put to.

Sara Bernhardt has been on the stage year or two, but 'tis good to know

"Hodge, Podge & Co.'s" poster print, Joseph Winter, M. R. Klein, James Peter Dalley's new play, will serve to introduce a large number of pretty Elizabeth Woodson and Bessle Harris. young girls as models for somewhat

The complete personnel of Stuart chorus of "The Burgomaster." This is Robson's company for the season of 1990-1 will include John E. Henshaw, Rose Coghlan will next season be the age Richardson's dramatization of stanley Weyman's "Sophia" and an idaptation of "A Dash For a Throne." Deta House next winter. Lee Arthur, who wrote "We Uns of Count Toistol has recently prepared Details provide the second provide the secon Stephen Grattan, Beaumont Smith, H. Star feature of Hyde's comedians, and star feature of Hyde's comedians, A. Weaver, Sr., Ogden Stevens, O. E. organization of considerable fame of

and a full fledged, highly diplomad clergyman is now booming the play through the smaller New England towns. This clergyman has been regu-

For several seasons now ministers from their pulpits have been acting as press agents for certain performances in an amateur sort of way, but this is the first instance on record where a clergyman has literally "gone ahead of

HIS "FRIEND" DID IT.

They are telling this tale in London other characteristics of animals bred edited a London weekly journal for horse owners at the present time keep expressed his intention of buying the rights for London. His friend concurred in praise and then excused himself sally, when they find that they have for a moment on the ground that he

After the final fall of the curtain the

"Why," was the surprised answer, your friend here bought it after the first act."

HE CERTAINLY WAS ILL.

A year or two ago one of the most enthusiastic golfers at St. Andrew's was the 3-year-old son of one of the caddles. He was not able to walk long or far, but wherever he went or was carried he clutched his clubs and his golf balls came rushing to Dr. M. in a dreadful state, imploring him to come at once, as "Wee Johnnie was ill, and they didna' know what to do wi' him." The doetor asked her what was the matter, but she couldn't explain. "But what are the child's symptoms?", "Weel, sir," was the answer, "he'll no look at his

ANOTHER GREAT SINGER.

clubs."

The best news of the musical world is that another great voice has come from Russia-a voice that thrills and enthralls all who have heard it. Its possessor is Louis Arens of the Imperial opera, Moscow, a young man who speaks broken English haltingly, but who sings, especially his native folkody. No tenor more rich or more artis-London last season only in concert, and America will not hear him for another that there is a treat in store.

Luella Drew, said to be a cousin of John Drew, is a sprightly dancer in the

Daniel Frohman has accepted Abby Grace Golden is to be the prima don-Sage Richardson's dramatization of a sourano of the English opera com-

has bought for this country is to be only a transposition of the word "star." "The Parlor Match" is to be known

a version of "The Power of Darkness" which they will present at a special ing production of "The Battle of the

value. Olive May has been engaged with