





## OFFICIAL ASSOCIATION

The appended official schedule of the American Association is totally unlike those already published, as many changes have been made since its adoption. The original schedule was not carefully scanned at the meeting and many conflicting dates had to be afterwards altered. In many instances the Athletics were scheduled to play at home Sundays; in another instance the Baltimore and Philadelphia A's were designed to play four games on the same dates in both Baltimore and Philadelphia. The Mets also were assigned to play a number of alternating home dates with the Western clubs. The correct revised version is here given, with the understanding that it is subject to change with every other club. The season begins April 16 and ends Oct. 10. Each season begins and ends the season at home. One four-game and two three-game trips will be made by each station.

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When was disabled they began casting about for a catcher to fill the gap. After considerable looking around it was decided that Charles Braddy, of the late Kansas City, would fill the position. President Stearns signed him yesterday. Braddy carries a sound good deal of superhuman flesh, and it is very safe to say he will get rid of a lot of it before he has been with the Detroit team. There is no denying that he is a good back stop. MAR.

**STILL ON THE MOVE.**

**NEW Third Baseman**—managed by **Manager Chapman**—**The Blons' April Dates, Etc.**  
**BUFFALO, March 10**—**Editor SPORTING LIFE**:—**Manager Chapman** has signed a player named **Burrows**, who resides at **Stockton, Chautauqu County**. He will play third base. He is said to be a promising player, developing into as fine a player as **Red McGilne**.  
The **hitters** will probably be paired as follows:

When the season opens: Walsh and Caliban, Zell and Purvis and Fanning and O'Neil. Last year we had only one first-class pitcher—Walsh. He did the best work of any International pitcher. Now we have three A 1 twirlers, and if they are not enough there is Grant who can go into the box and pitch with the best of them. All in all, the Des Moines Mobles are a good bunch. They are the only other club in the International League, except

phases, Newark.

Most of the Buffalo team will appear in one of the Buffalo papers. In a short time.

It is expected that the team will be changed to the color of the Buffalo uniforms—for luck.

The gentleman from Birmingham takes up his trenchant pen and annihilates (3 me). He will please to remember that the Buffalo team is not a "Coke" team any time ago. As I had occasion to remark before, the best manager is he who can find and develop bad line talent. That is what Jack Chapman is doing, and he is doing it very well.

The Buffaloes are confident that he will be. Players that can do so well in the small club ought to hold their end up, at least in the international league.

Recherer wants to play at home on the two following days, and to get well settled after all. It seems tocherer wants \$200 from Toronto for the release of Connor, the same amount that Rochester paid for Connor. He is not sure of getting it, but is claiming that she has the legal right to him. The matter will probably be settled in the 15th.

The following is a correct list of the Buffaloes' April schedule: 1, at Pittsburgh; 5, 6 and 7, at Baltimore; 7, 8 and 9, at Washington; 11, 12 and 13, at Pittsburgh; 15, at Trenton; 16, at Philadelphia (League Club); 18, at Hartford; 19, at Washington; 21, at Bridgeport; 21, at New Haven (Yale College); 22 and 23, at New Haven (Yale College); 24, at Trenton; 25, at Bridgeport. The team will report here March 28 and will practice at the Armory, on Fremont Place, until April 1, when they leave for Pittsburgh. OLYMPIC.

**Omaha's Team Complete.**

Omaha, March 7.—Editor Sporting News: The Omaha team is now complete. The following is the list of the players who are to represent Omaha in the first game:

Pos.	Player	Pos.	Player	Pos.	Player	Pos.	Player
C.	McKee	C.	McKee	C.	McKee	C.	McKee
1B.	McKee	1B.	McKee	1B.	McKee	1B.	McKee
2B.	McKee	2B.	McKee	2B.	McKee	2B.	McKee
3B.	McKee	3B.	McKee	3B.	McKee	3B.	McKee
SS.	McKee	SS.	McKee	SS.	McKee	SS.	McKee
LF.	McKee	LF.	McKee	LF.	McKee	LF.	McKee
CF.	McKee	CF.	McKee	CF.	McKee	CF.	McKee
RF.	McKee	RF.	McKee	RF.	McKee	RF.	McKee
P.	McKee	P.	McKee	P.	McKee	P.	McKee

The team will leave for St. Louis on the 10th of the month.

baseball club has been compiled by the engagement of Krehmeyer, of St. Louis. In him we have secured a first-class catcher and a heavy batsman. The team will be composed of the following players: First base—H. J. Hartner and Krehmeyer; pitchers, Healy, O'Leary, Quisenberry and Goetz; third base, Brimblecombe; second base, Goldsmith; first base, B. Krehmeyer; short stop, J. J. Hartner; left field, J. J. Hartner; right field, Jennings. Here is a team which we would not scrap either for any club in the Western League; they are superior in feeling to any of them, are first-class players and good team men, and will give the other Western League clubs have clubs which are "sure winners." Your Hastings correspondent should not allow himself to boil over so soon as at what Omaha people are so apt to do. He should remember that it will take them a long time to recover from the back-sets they need to get from the Union Pacific, so we don't get mad when they say mean things about us. We are not going to let them have their own way, and will do all we can to put them

second place.

The first series of games between Omaha and Des Moines will give the Des Moines boys some advantage over the Omaha boys, as they are good team from the northern prairie. Our boys all report themselves in good condition and ready for duty.

OMAHA.

### The Northern Michigan League.

GREENVILLE, Mich., March 1.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—We have just finished comparing the Northern Michigan League are busy slugging men for the season of 1887. All are as thoroughly in earnest and as successful as the season is predicted.

We have signed six men and are negotiating with several more. We expect to win the pennant, but will know more about it after we have met our opponents a few times.

High manager, they will lead the team, has completed his manager. They will make the rest of the club try ball.

Kalamazoo will probably be the only club in the Michigan State, as it seems improbable that there are enough good players in that State to support a second-class club. It is worth \$5,000 or more to support a second-class club simply for the size of our home of having ball club.

Greenville, Reed City or any of the clubs in this State are probably going to have a team as Kalamazoo, but we don't propose to kill base ball in our own by getting a team that will cost us four or five thousand dollars more than the rate receipts, but we expect to have teams of equally-matched clubs, and we will be supported by the game money, and quite likely in a ball or two from Kalamazoo.

A schedule will be adopted at the League meeting

and will play the game of their life. T. Vally, who played with the Eagle-Groves, of Iowa, last season has been signed; he is a good hitter and base-runner.

This new league twelve in all are formed, and Manager Thresh says he expects to commence the season with fifteen men.

It is very certain that if Kansas City is not dropped by the National League some other city will fill its place. The only city that has a chance is Omaha, Nebraska. In this event either Wichita or Pueblo will succeed Kansas City. Wichita is a growing city and a good base ball town, and there are men there with money to back up a team. Pueblo is a city that is rapidly and centrally located than Pueblo, it is very probable that they will succeed Kansas City, although Pueblo has said to be organized and will be represented at the meeting at Leavenworth and will make a strong fight for a franchise.

Manager Thresh, who has been doing a large real estate business, has formed a partnership with Director Jeff Glavin, who is a large real estate owner, and has secured location in the cotton city of the Wildcat Hotel. Mr. Glavin is also one of the proprietors of the Windsor and a heavy stockholder in our club, and in fact one of the ablest supporters of the National game in our city.

### Hastings Haptenings.

HASTINGS, Neb., March 7.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—See early Knott's report lower. W. S. McKinney, one of the best po-eed ball men in Nebraska, informs us that he is negotiating with Jack Reeves, late of the Chicago team, to come to Hastings. He is one of the leading back stops in that neck 'o' the woods. His record last season was good, having a good sixth

of an Admiral of Roseman.

BROOKLYN, E. D., March 7.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—An item among the base ball notes of one of our local journals says that "Big Chief" Roseman, of the Brooklyn team, has been offered by the Club which paid \$750 for his release, and adds: "The price paid was a surprise to the base ball world, as Roseman just his prime."

There was surprise among base ball players, it is true, but not at the largeness of the amount paid, but rather as to its smallness. Instead of (as the item says) Mr. Roseman being "just his prime," he has passed the prime of his life, and his services for a few pounds would be too high a price paid for his transfer on the ranks of one club to that of another.

Mr. Roseman's record stands high in his profession, and even when he was old and infirmly he was aware of the fact that his powers as a player have not yet been fully developed. Mr. Roseman's habits of abstemiousness have brought him well-merited success as a player, and he is now to be sent forward to further triumph on the "diamond field."

In securing the services of Mr. R. the Athletics have secured a valuable acquisition to their ranks.

J. H. DE A.

A Northeastern League Proposed.

The list of cut-thims of the Northwestern League, who feel sure of him, as he is desirous of coming to Hastings.

The Republican Valley Base Ball League is the latest acquisition to base ball circles in this section. The League was organized by some of the best in the Valley, and the people are always ready and willing to sustain the national game. Mc'ook, Anapaho, Red Cloud and Elm Hill are numbered among the League players. It is to be held that a second team will be admitted from Hastings.

Manager Fred Corey will reach Hastings about the 26th inst. I will be accompanied by a pet battery of hard-throwing pitchers, fifteen men will report by the April 1st for active service.

The Athletic grounds are being considerably remodelled. The old grand grand stand, in course of construction, will give us a seating capacity for 1,500 people.

President Elmore informs us that he has contracted for three suits for the team, one of which will be a new light-colored uniform worn by the famous White Soxers of Chicago.

Considerable speculation is manifested in Hastings as to the outcome of the games between Des Moines and Hastings. It is thought that the result will be a draw, a tendency to decide which way the wind blows in Nebraska.

Doc,

**A GOOD MAN OVERCOME.**  
 FREDERICK, VI., March 10.—Negotiations are in progress for the formation of a base ball league to include the clubs of this city and those of the surrounding towns of New York, and to be called the Northeastern Base Ball League. Base ball associations have been formed with this object in view in this city, St. Albans, and outland on this side of Lake Champlain, and in Plattsburgh, Newbury, Glens Falls, and other places. The object is to provide a standard for the game. They will be called to league. It is supposed to have a series of sixtynine, and the season will open on May 15. Each club in the league will be required to give a bond of \$10,000, faithfully fulfill engagements, and each club will be required to contribute to the league. The New York clubs do not enter the Vermont clubs will form a league and take in clubs from the interior of the State. Good players are already being engaged.







ing after his branch store here

combined. He is looking after his branch store here and expects to enlarge the stock.

Mack believes that Whitney will be effective and the present race.

Director Gooden says he is in favor of releasing one until after the first of June. A good idea.

Walt's wife and Gaffney are holding long conversations with the boys right to be happy.

All Myers will have an easy row this year, and will be a big addition to the team.

Mike Seaton is very now of expounding on the weakness of the team. He has the full list on his black board.

Will somebody send me a few old letters which they have written on a winning team, as I desire to put up on such an order.

The grounds will be put in order next week and

The odding weighted down with a steam roller.  
The score card privilege will be let out next week.  
WED.

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**SATURDAY GAMES.**

**Lowell Wants and Needs a Goodly Proportion of Them.**

LOWELL, Mass., March 8.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—Things have at last resumed their normal state here, and the excitement consequent on getting a team into the League has about died out, and we are now impatiently awaiting the opening of the season. The initial championship game is eagerly looked for to see what the men who will represent Lowell are capable of doing. It has always been the custom here to open the season on Fast Day, and the Governor's proclamation generally fixes it the first Thursday of April, which would be the 9th, and if the day is pleasant the crowd will be the boys, and their playing will be watched with critical eyes.

The uniform of the line has been selected, and will be the same as that worn by the famous Lowells of '71.

and consists of a wide flannel shirt and knee breeches. The shirt is white with a red collar, and the breeches are blue, with the name "Lowell" embroidered on the left leg. The man is standing with his hands on his hips, looking towards the camera.

We hope that when the schedule committee meets they will see that Lowell gets a good share of Saturday baseball duty when our mill operations are slack. Lowell will have liberty to play whenever he wishes, and the success of the club this afternoon must not be overlooked, as it will be no small item in the club's treasury.

More players have been added to the team, and as Manager McGinnis has gone back to Brockton, nothing can be feared. A talk with some of the directors shows that they have all but closed with two of the best players in the league, and the season is now due to begin. It is given on that Buffington and Tom Gunning, of the Boston, may be one of our batters next season. We hope their release may be secured as soon as possible.

Marin Sullivan, of the Chicago, has hosts of friends here—his home—who wish him success in his new field, and just before he left they presented him with a watch and chain as a slight token of their esteem.

Frank McLaughlin is the only home player signed by the management. He has been in daily practice

Ed Flanagan, of the Athletics, will leave for Phila

delphia in a few days. He has been employed as  
wine clerk in a German street saloon all winter, and  
he takes a good care of himself.

Jack Grady and Barney McLaughlin leave here  
next Thursday for the sunny S. U., and will go to  
Washington for a few days, and thence to Charleston  
where they report the 15th.

Phil Miller, the third baseman, has not yet caught  
on. He would be a good man for Salem.

All the players wintering here will have disap-  
peared by next week, and nothing but the arrival of  
the members of the home team will compensate us for  
the loss. As the third baseman is not yet ready to  
work to gray, and with the arrival of the new men  
things will begin to loom, and the lovers of the game  
will be happy.

MERRIMACK.

### WATERBURY'S AMBITION.

**Anxious to Have the Eastern League  
Strengthened or Else Entera Wider Field.**

WATERBURY, Conn., March 10.—Editor SPORT-  
ING LIFE:—Your correspondents in this part of the  
country seem to be lax in their interest, or perhaps  
they are exhibiting prejudice, but it seems as if  
they might, from their respective cities, be able to  
least that "their team will be at the top," or  
"feast the peasant," or make the "horns hiss." That  
is the burden of the song for many of them.

In your "Notes and Comments" this week you ask  
why the Eastern League don't change its name to Con-  
necticut League. There are one or two towns, perhap  
one or two players, who are not in the Eastern League  
fields," but from h-l-l-ic-ty, they are unable to get  
in where they wish to be. Waterbury, for instance

a ground for the next five years, and besides being backed by ample capital has a "constituency" that is

great games with our sons and daughters will be generated. It is only just started! — They did not want to confine themselves to conventional towns for a league but would like to have some cities to play in. I think that the New York and Jersey City clubs, I think, are the main clubs that have ball in those cities will have had a success on account of the big jumps and because it expands a lot but perhaps not so much as the New York club. Next year we can get in a new league as a regular league.

The Eastern League will be successful this year, but is not large as has been put on the ground. It would like a large number of clubs would create more interest in the game.

I see that Mr. Ballard has tried to form the base ball league. I will, his idea is not to be far from a new championship at the point of impact this year. I think that the Eastern League will be a very satisfactory thing. Mr. Minn, who is very interested in the game, has been made a member of items in his report which were vaguely stated. Some of them were not properly paid by the Eastern League of '88, notably the New York club and the Chicago club.

Perhaps the best right of Mr. B. to the salary was uncertain, but it was small action just the same, his failings were incompete or neglect to attend properly to the duties of his office, besides it was interest of the Eastern League to have him could not improperly conduct the affairs of the League.

It is hoped to get New Haven into the Eastern League, insuring big jumps and great local interest but it is such a big town for sporting matters that it is not likely to get into the Eastern League. They make money at polo and could support a base ball club, which they started once. We hope they will, but feel doubtful.

Mist.

The above League, through the neglect of one of its officers with whom the matter of obtaining the pro-

action offered the older associations was entrusted has been obliged to go under. The failure to procure protection was not, however the only cause of disbandment. At a late meeting of the League held at Oneida a salary limit was proposed to permit clubs to retain players and players were to be paid no more than the figure agreed upon at the meeting. One of the League teams also caused trouble by signing players at ridiculously low figures, and the result was that directors of other teams, becoming aware of this fact and coveting the prices paid for their own players, concluded that if other clubs could get men so cheap they were paying too much, and so there was trouble for the manager and everybody concerned. The players signed by the Lowellville Association, upon becoming aware of the fact that this company was paying no salary, decided to resign and signed with other clubs. This move of course took the starch out of the Lowellville Association, and the balance of the team were notified of the disbandment of the team. Among the players signed by this Association were: Geo. H. Geer, of the Erie team; Bert F. Kinney, of the Erie team; and players: Bert F. Kinney, of Truxton; W. C. Y.felder, and Robert Van Aldine, of the Saratoga Springs in '85, third baseman. Geer and Kinney were with the Norwich (N. Y.) team last season. Geer's average as third baseman was 770; batting, 255. Kinney's average as first baseman was 770; batting, 255. These players are as yet unsigned. It is probable that Oneida, Little Falls and Watertown will have semi-professional teams in the field the coming season.

borough may once again hold its head up among the

fringe of the sand on the western shore. The waves were breaking on the beach and they make an effort to buy another franchise, instead of the many cents. Their little bluff was a sort of a stand-up-and-fall-down game. Well, no matter, we make the angels' fall. The waves, however, are still breaking on the sand. In our next letter I shall tell you how we can save the angels' fall. But for the time being that we couldn't raise the change money, we drew all the peanut stands and tin shops in town. Well, all I've got to say is the owners of the aforesaid wouldn't have received it. It was a very good thing that we were not taken up on that; not by a card-act. We expect to run through the season with all colors flying and we hope to show Kansas City and St. Louis that we can support a good club when we try. Truly,  
R. C.

**Hartford's Men Only Short Stop A Battery.**  
HARTFORD, March 2.—ED FOR SPORTING LIKES—Manager Daniels has picked up some pretty good ball players in the short time since his appointment, and he has a fine lot of them. Among them are: Fred Cramer, center; Falmouth, catchers; Grady and Davis, pitchers; Brady, Hackett and Fletcher, out-fielders; and Beecher, Johnson and Dorgan in the out-field.

Grady is probably the best man of the lot, and a good deal to be expected of him. Besides his handiness behind the bat, he is a good, sure batter. Grady and Davis are both a fair lot of twirlers, and one of them, Grady, can bat. Brady has *been* as well known for his pitching, but now, when I think that he is going to be a pitcher, I think that he is going to be a pitcher. He is a little fastidized. However, they will develop him a little, especially Grady, who lives here in Hartford. He is a ball fiddler, and a light-batter. Of Fletcher little is known, except that he is a Philadelphia amateur. He is a good pitcher, and he is a good pitcher. Brady is a good pitcher, and he is a good pitcher. Brady is a good pitcher, and he is a good pitcher.

We are not quite so strong as Budget port yet, but will

Before the season opens. GROCERY OPTIC.



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Honest Jack Fogarty, our old left fielder, has signed with St. Francis, N. Y. Harry Fisher secures in him a first-class ball player and a perfect gentleman.

Speaking of gentlemen reminds me that Leech Mackreary is one of the finest gentlemen that appeared before a Topoka audience last year. The entire Topoka team this season are gentlemen.

Pat Tebeau says Denver will again win the pennant. That's all right. Pat you had better ease that in your hat and refer to it about October 20th.

Will Bryan has cancelled Res. M. Jones' dates here in April.

Goldie's lads not counting Johnson, have a batting

average age of 23 and held fielding .923.  
 (Cleveland) has secured our old pitcher, Rozie Burchard.  
 All of the Topoka players will be here by April let.  
 Topoka can boast of the finest gro in the Le-gue.  
 The entire ground has level as a billiard table and  
 there is a situation to have the sun in but one of  
 the player's eye, and that is the catcher. More anon.  
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### A TEAM OF SLUGGERS

**Is What New Orleans Has—The Showing  
 Against the Cincinnati—Departure  
 of the Latter.**

NEW ORLEANS, March 8.—Editor **SPORTING  
 LIFE**:—The Cincinnati combination, after play-  
 ing five games in this city, has returned to Cin-  
 cinnati, leaving only pleasant recollections and  
 best wishes behind them. A more gentlemanly  
 crowd of ball players would be hard to bring  
 together than those who made up the combina-  
 tion. They played pool, hard, honest ball, and  
 their deportment both on and off the field was  
 the best order, and contrasted greatly with other  
 combinations in this respect that have been here  
 in former years. They were under perfect con-  
 trol of Hick Carpenter, who managed them with  
 as much ease as if they formed a regular nine  
 in mid-season. Come down again, boys, and feel  
 confident that a warm welcome will always await you.

The showing our team made against the Cincinnati  
 combination was in every way creditable and gave  
 great attention to our management, as well as to  
 the patrons. They only won one game out of the four  
 played, but in two of these the fight was sharp and

close, and the game in both instances was anybody's until the last man was out. Our team outlasted the Cincinnati, making 39 actual hits, with a total of 64, in the four games, against 35, with a total of 50, of the combination, and made 7 home runs to Cincinnati's 1, and our pitcher, who was not a regular, pitched the batting team beyond a doubt, and it has won the title of "sluggers" that will make it very up-hill work for any team in the South'n League to wrest from it.

In last Sunday's game our "sluggers" knocked Pechney out of the box in three innings. In that short time the boys touched him for four home runs and four singles, after which time he was glad to steal

CIN.	ARR. P.	A.	E.	NEW ORL.	S.	B.	P.	A.
B. Ewing, lb	4	2	3	1	1	1	2	1
Pfeffer, 2b	4	1	2	7	5	0	1	0
McPhee, ss	4	0	2	0	6	0	3	0
Jones, rf	4	0	2	0	0	1	4	0
W. Ewing, cf	4	0	2	0	1	3	0	0
Paidwal, cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J. Ewing, rf	4	1	1	1	3	0	0	0
Boyle, c	4	2	2	6	4	1	3	0
Pechuly, pr	3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Total	35	4	12	22	20	2	24	1

Cincinnati.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Orleans.....	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0-5

Earned runs—New Orleans 3. First on errors—Cincinnati 3, New Orleans 4. First on balls—Cincinnati 4, New Orleans 2. Two-base balls—Powell, Home Run, Fullen, White, and Pujol. First strike-out—By Fessler. Errors—Ewing, Dwyer, Fullen, Giles and Cartwright; Ricketts and Pujol; Pflaffer and Ewing; Pochney, Pflaffer and Ewing. Time—1:20.

Base ball has taken new life here, and that of a genuine healthy nature. Every step taken by our association is carefully guarded with a view of removing the old order things that existed here under the amateur regime, and their work already begins to show most flattering results. The present

The present infield of our team shows up very strong, also two of our catchers and one of the two pitchers already here. Blumenthal, one of our pitchers, has not only been taken and now gives very little of him. The outfield can be improved upon considerably, and several players are already being taken to improve it, and the time the League race commences the team will be in shape to knock some of the wise prophets silly who are placing it fifth or sixth in the race.

Billie Smith was utterly married the night before he

left here to join the Detroit at M-con. Billy has an ocean of friends here who wish him well, both in his matrimonial venture and on his diamond.

The Dos Moines have returned here from mining, and that club will soon begin first games. The Dos Moines team is made up of fine-looking, large men, who ought to make it quite warm for the Northwestern League.

The La Crosse Club has cancelled its dates here, claiming it could not make satisfactory rates. The Baltimore, though it is not known yet whether they can accept or not.

Boyle, the St. Louis Browns' new catcher, played

here with the Cincinnati and did beautiful work. He is a fine back stop and very strong thrower to bases, and managed to get in from one to three hits in each game.

Mike Shea, of this city, who pitched for Cincinnati against the Des Moines, made such a fine showing, holding Bryant's men down to two scored hits, that Carpenter telegraphed to President Stern, of the Cincinnati, regarding him, and Stern telegraphed Hick to bring him back to Cincinnati with him, which he has done, and is all paid for by the Cincinnati. He is a fine and up to date new rule, very speedy, and is also a fair batter and good base-runner. CARLOS.

### HAMILTON'S HOPES.

Guessing as to the R-I-tative Standing of the Canadian Clubs.

HAMILTON, Ont., March 9.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—Base ball enthusiasts are beginning to wake up and ventilate their opinions as to the probable standing of the International League clubs at the close of the season. The few spring days we have had during the past week have doubtless had their effect in stirring up bright visions of the ball field. A few of the knowing ones in this vicinity regard the Toronto as the dark horse in the race, with Newark, Rochester and Hamilton well up in the order named. The Toronto have not been idle. A good team has

been sent to the front row. We have an eye on the particular spot ourselves, and should the championship come to Canada we are human enough to express a desire to see it located in Hamilton. A prominent sporting man residing in the Queen City has already offered to give the Toronto team a new uniform. Toronto. Two of the bets are that the Toronto team will be better placed than Hamilton and Syracuse at the end of June, and the third is that the Toronto will finish the season ahead of Syracuse.

There will be four games for the month of April. They will open at Washington April 1, and play again in that city on the 25th and 26th. The rest of their practice will be done at Richmond, where they meet the Portlands on the 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th.

John Rulvey is at his home in Birmingham, and is reported to be suffering severely from quinsy.

Manager Stroud is somewhat reticent as to who will play first base, but says he is negotiating with one of the players in the East, and when his name is disclosed will prove a surprise to many.

The uniforms will be the same as those worn last season. Two suits will be in use, one of cadet blue and white, and the other of white and blue.

The Hamilton ball grounds will be put in first-class shape for the coming season. The clump of trees which have hitherto figured the grounds and rendered good play most difficult, impossible, will be removed and the ground rolled as level as a billiard table. The grand stand will be enlarged, an extra seating capacity of 1,000 being deemed necessary. Work will be begun as soon as the weather permits.

T. G.

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### MANCHESTER'S PROGRAMME.

**A Useful Tip to the College Clubs About Exhibition Games.**

MANCHESTER, N. H., March 3.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—The Manchester School is preparing for duty about April 14 or 15. We have arranged with Brown University for April 23, and intend to arrange a series of games with Dartmouth after the collegiate schedule is drawn up. It is our intention to play all our exhibition games during April at home. Any clubs visiting New England during April would do well to correspond with me for dates. I would like especially

to arrange some games with International clubs. If Dartmouth is admitted to the College League, as now seems probable, we will be able to send our college teams that visit Hanover, as it will be a great help to them to keep over and thereby break the long hauls from Boston to Hanover. Any of the college teams can secure one or two dates on their visit to us. We will also like to have some of our own men go up and another on the return from Hanover. That of itself ought to be an inducement to admit Dartmouth, as it removes the objection has been that they were too far away.

F. J. LONARD, Manager.

Denny Mack Not Wilkesbarre's Manager.  
WILKESBARRE, March 9.—Editor FORTUNE LIFE:—I wish you would contradict the report circulated around that I am to manage the Wilkesbarre Base Ball Club this coming season. Such is not the case, as, up to this writing, I have neither signed or made any contracts with them. I will, however, be glad to say this, hoping you will be as true above, I am, and yours, etc.

DENNY J. MACK.











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Truly Yours, WM. A. SUNDAY.

**TRIGGER.**

FAST FLYERS FROM THE TRAPS.

The Riverton Gun Club Beaten in a \$2,000 Pigeon Shoot.

The Riverton Gun Club, which has for a long time stood at the head of trap organizations in this country, were rather unexpectedly defeated by the Westminster Kennel Club, of New York, upon their own grounds at Riverton, N. Y., Tuesday, March 8. The contest, which was for \$2,000 a side, the expense of the birds to be borne by the losers, attracted considerable attention among the gentlemen shooters of the two sections, and all the indications pointed to a spirited and skillful exhibition of shooting on the wing. A more beautiful day could have not been desired for the contest, but, unfortunately, the shooting generally was not nearly up to expectation. The birds, provided by the veteran Gilbert, were a superior lot; somewhat bulky, but powerful of wing, and to this a great deal, with the limited boundary of fifty yards, may be ascribed the indifferent scores of several of the crack shots of both teams. At 10:05 A. M. the contest began with Messrs. Drayton and Watson, representing New York, and Messrs. Soule and Bispham, of the Riverton Club. The opening was not a favorable one for the visitors, Messrs. Drayton and Watson missing fifteen between them of their first twenty, while the Philadelphians scored but eleven misses. The four gentlemen did not add much to their reputation with the balance of their birds. Mr. Soule particularly having an unfortunate run of ill luck. There was considerable excitement among the spectators when this part of the contest was approaching completion, and when the last bird was brought down the Philadelphians were but one ahead. The match was continued with Mr. Floyd Jones and Mr. Eckert, Mr. Pierre Lillard, Jr., and Mr. T. S. Dandy, and Dr. Knapp and E. S. Hand, Jr., alternating at the traps. When these gentlemen had shot the fourth bird the New Yorkers had killed one more bird than their opponents, making the total thus far shot at a tie. In the next ten the visitors were two ahead, notwithstanding Mr. Lillard's poor shooting, which was due to his complement. When the thirteenth bird had been sprung from the trap, Messrs. Jones, Lillard and Knapp had increased their club's advantage to a total of seven. Mr. Eckert, usually a steady and accurate shot, secured the twenty-out of gear, having shot down the fifteen out of thirty. His poor shooting was attributed to a strange gun, for after exchanging it with the best record of the match, killing twenty straight, five hundred dollars to four hundred and then three hundred and fifty, and finally to three hundred were freely offered at this stage of the contest on New York's winning, but there were no takers. The Riverton Club decided the lead of their opponents by two birds in the next ten, and at the forty-fifth round the supporters of the visiting team were not active in letting as they had previously shown. While Mr. Jones and Mr. Knapp missed two each of the last five birds, the Riverton men were unable to reduce the lead by more than one bird and thus the very interesting match ended in the success of the Westminster Kennel Club by a total score of 175 killed out of 200 to 173 for their opponents.

**SUMMARY.**

NAME.	Killed.	Missed.	Total.
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