

PASTIMES.

Another Turn of the Tide in Favor of the White Stockings.

They Defeat the St. Louis Browns by a Score of 12 to 2.

And Did It with a Fair Umpire and a Well-Behaved Crowd.

The Bostonians Manage to Give the Hartforders Another Set-Back.

Trotting at Poughkeepsie—Maybird and Gov. Sprague the Winners.

First Day of the Centennial Regatta at Philadelphia.

BASE-BALL.

THE TURN OF THE TIDE.

The difference between a hard, brave, manly, decent ball to play the national game with, and a soft, sabby, cowardly sphere for decrepids and boys to fool with, was shown yesterday afternoon in the eighth St. Louis-Chicago contest for the championship. The home nine faced the ball and handled it, and played a fine, close, plucky game from the first ball pitched to the last man out, while the St. Louis nine couldn't summon up courage to get up to a hard hit or a swiftly-thrown ball. It was a hard ball, and Clapp suffered it to pass through his hands five times, while the self-same reason led McGeary to shrink from McVey's scorching hit, and Dehlmann to miff two swiftly-thrown liners. In short, it demonstrated that, while the visitors were very clever at picking up and throwing a rag bundle, they were not up to grade in a game where a ball fit for grown men was used.

About 4,000 persons were present at the game, and while it was too much to expect that they would remain silent throughout after the beastly abuse which their club had received in St. Louis, yet it is much to the credit of the city and the management that no one could hear either profanity, threats, or obscenity loudly mouthed as is the custom in St. Louis. There was some noise and cheering, but not a foul word nor an angry one.

The St. Louis lost the toss, and Pike led off with a hit very cleverly handled by Peters, and no runs were scored. Barnes began the winning side of the game by a splendid liner to left centre, and at once stole second, being aided by McGeary's miff of Clapp's throw. A passed ball let him to third, and he scored on McVey's out to Dehlmann. Peters had in the meantime been retired on a fly, and two hands were out when Anson hit the ball solidly past short. He stole second, aided by Clapp's wild throw, and was sent home by a wild pitch and a passed ball. White was sent to base on balls, and Hines gave him third on a cracking liner to left for two bases. Spalding let both runs in by a safe one to right centre, and Andrus followed with a sharp bouncer past short, which was much applauded by his admirers in the audience. Both were left, however, by Cuthbert's excellent catch of Glenn's foul fly. This gave the Whites four runs and a winning lead if they played decently steady.

The feature of the second inning was a splendid running catch by Hines. No runs were made by either party. After Pearce had opened the third inning by striking out, Bradley hit a beauty down near the left foul line for two bases, and went to third on Pike's safe one into right field. Clapp hit a long, low fly to left, but Glenn, after making a hard run for it, let it get away from him, and Bradley reached home with the first run for his side. White began the White's half of the inning by a curious two-baser about where Bradley's had gone. Spalding followed with a centre-field drive which let White home, while the striker went to second on the return of the ball. Glenn hit hard to right centre, and attempted to make second, but was caught between bases and run out, though not until after Spalding had scored his run, making the score 6 to 1.

In the next inning Barnes led off with a model drive to left field, and at once stole second clean. After Peters had gone out on a fly, McVey hit a stinger to McGeary, which the latter refused, and Anson seconded the motion with a two-baser into right field, which sent McVey to third. Hines hit one to Pearce, and reached first on a jungle, while McVey scored. Spalding hit toward first, and the umpire called the hit foul, but a moment afterward changed his mind and declared it fair, which, as a man in the stand observed, "didn't give Spalding a show for his white alley," inasmuch as he had no chance to run at all, the ball being at first base when the change in decision was made. In the next inning Glenn plucked up a run, which was given him by Dehlmann's miff of Battin's throw off Peters' hit. In this inning Andrus made a beautiful line hit for two bags, but was run out thereafter. The sixth inning gave the visitors their second and last run of the game, Battin being the lucky man. He made a splendid long hit on the left foul-line for two bases, and was sent home by Blong's sharp bouncer past second. Pearce was then sent to base on called balls, and Bradley sent one to Peters, which was thrown too high to first, and, though McVey prevented it from getting away, he could not get the man, and the bases were full. Dehlmann was unequal to the struggle, and could do nothing better than push one down to Peters. In the last half of the inning Anson dropped a high one into left field and took first because Cuthbert let it get away from him. He got around home on a clean steal and two wild pitches. The seventh inning gave no runs, but in the eighth, muffs by Dehlmann and Cuthbert gave Anson and Hines their bases, and Spalding's fourth clean hit of the game helped to two unearned runs, making the score 12 to 2, where it stopped. The cleverest and quickest play of the game was made by Barnes and McVey in the last inning, when they doubled up Pike and Clapp on the latter's hard line-hit. A ball never was handled quicker than the one that Barnes got rid of to Mac. This ended the game to all intents, as nobody but Peters hit to any account in the last inning. Following is

THE SCORE:

Chicago.	A	R	D	P	A	E
Barnes, 2 b.....	0	2	3	3	1	0
Peters, s. s.....	0	0	1	1	4	1
McVey, 1 b.....	0	1	0	7	0	0
Anson, 3 b.....	5	3	2	0	1	0
White, c.....	5	2	1	4	0	0
Hines, c. f.....	5	2	1	3	0	0
Spalding, p.....	5	1	4	1	2	0
Andrus, r. f.....	5	0	2	1	0	0
Glenn, l. f.....	5	1	1	7	0	1
Total.....	48	12	15	27	8	2
St. Louis.						
Pike, c. f.....	5	0	2	2	1	0
Clapp, c.....	5	0	1	4	1	7
McGeary, 2 b.....	5	0	1	2	1	2
Battin, 3 b.....	4	1	1	0	3	0
Cuthbert, l. f.....	4	0	0	3	0	2
Blong, r. f.....	4	0	2	3	0	0
Pearce, s. s.....	4	0	0	0	4	1
Bradley, p.....	4	1	3	0	5	4
Dehlmann, 1 b.....	4	0	0	13	1	2
Total.....	30	2	10	27	10	18

RUNS SCORED.

Innings—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Chicago.....	4	0	2	2	1	1	0	2	0—12
St. Louis.....	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0—2

RUNS EARNED.

Innings—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Chicago.....	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0—6
St. Louis.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—1

Two-base hits—Anson, 1; White, 1; Hines, 1; Spalding, 1; Andrus, 1; Battin, 1; Bradley, 2.
Three-base hits—Bradley, 1.
Total bases on hits—Chicago, 20; St. Louis, 15.
Bases on errors—Peters, 1; McVey, 1; Anson, 2; Hines, 2; Clapp, 1; Bradley, 1.
Left on bases—Barnes, 1; Peters, 2; Anson, 1; Hines, 1; Spalding, 3; Andrus, 1—Chicago, 0; Pike, 1; Clapp, 2; McGeary, 1; Blong, 2; Pearce, 1; Bradley, 3—St. Louis, 10.
Passed balls—Clapp, 5.
Wild pitches—Bradley, 4.
Time of game—Two hours and thirty minutes.
Umpire—Charles Daniels, Hartford.

REMARKS.

The game was much longer than it should have been, but was nevertheless an enjoyable one to look at, by reason of the admitted fact that, when the ball was hit, it had to go somewhere right away. People enjoy and expect that kind of playing, and, while there is not much reason to think that the management ever would use a rag ball here, it is well enough to suggest that the audience wouldn't stand such a game as they have in St. Louis. It was a surprise to the audience to see the visitors make so many errors as are scored up against them, but the fact that a large proportion of them were made by Bradley and Clapp is explained by the hard ball which differed so much from the one used in St. Louis. The defeat was the worst one they have received this year in the point of runs scored, no other club having made 12 runs off Bradley.

The best work for the visitors was done by Battin and Pike, who are credited with clean scores. Glenn and Hines excelled the other Chicagoans, the former by the number of catches made and the latter by the style with which he captured one of the hardest catches of

the year. Spalding was in good form, and, being well supported by White, was a dangerous man to face. His batting record was at the head of the list.

It appears from the score that Andrus took Bielaski's place in the field yesterday, and it should be added that he played a very creditable game. The only chance offered him was turned into a fine running catch, and his batting was surpassed by only two men in the nine. He hits a ball hard and sharp for a liner, and, with some practice to keep him from striking out, will become one of the best men in the nine at the stick.

The umpiring was perhaps the best we have had in Chicago this year, and Mr. Daniels proved himself thoroughly clear-headed, cool, and honest.

During Monday's game in St. Louis there were several interruptions, caused by demands of the Captains that players on the opposite side stand away from the line. To avoid anything of that kind in Chicago, the management very wisely caused lines to be drawn parallel with and 50 feet back of the foul lines to indicate where the players must not come without reason. Still other lines 15 feet from the diamond showed where the Captains and assistants might stand. The idea was a good one, and it might well be imitated on every field where the St. Louis fellows play.

The same lines will play again to-morrow and Friday, and these games will be the last ball in this city for two weeks.

PERSONAL.

A Boston paper states that Borden ("Josephs") has been released from his engagement with the Boston Club, and has left the Hub for St. Louis. He is said to be engaged for 1877 by the Brown Stockings, and will probably play the remainder of the present season with them.