

BILLIARDS.

THE PROPOSED TOURNAMENTS. Let Room-keepers and Manufacturers Come to the Front.

The announcement has been made in several papers that two tournaments are to take place in this country during the present fall—one in the East and the other in the West, according to the exigencies of the occasion.

Under such circumstances we hope that it will not seem presumptuous on our part if we venture to give some slight advice at this early date.

It is not as yet known whether the first tournament shall take place in the East or the West, or the East, or the West, or the East, or the West.

It is remarkable to note what a diversity of opinion there is as to the holding of two tournaments in one season in this country.

Access they have to the billiard-rooms, and access they have to the billiard-rooms, and access they have to the billiard-rooms.

Professional experts, who are masters of the game and consequently competent, should be permitted to enter these tournaments on condition that they may do so on a basis of a lock and key on their law from the time in which it shall be decided to give the tournaments until the management of the tournaments shall discharge themselves.

Professional billiards have been so long and so badly managed by professional experts that it is now high time to give this element to understand that they have reached the limit of their usefulness.

Since the foregoing was written it has been learned that the tournament referred to above is to be given by a book-maker in the interest not only of a book-maker, but in the interest of all the book-makers and gamblers of the country.

THE RING. John L. Sullivan, the pugilist, is lying critically ill at Trenton Cottage, Crescent Beach, near Boston.

THE BOSS ELEMENT IN AMERICAN BILLIARDS.—Rule or ruin is the motto of the boss element in American billiards.

So Anson wants Schaefer to go to London, eh? Well, he can't have him, which is probably the reason why he wants him.

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ATHLETIC.

THE ATHLETIC WAR.

The Visiting Irish Team Drawn Into the Fight—Action of the New Amateur Union.

The teams representing the Gaelic Athletic Association, which sailed from Queenstown, Ireland, on Sunday, Sept. 16, and arrived in New York, Sept. 25, are composed as follows:

Athletes proper—J. S. Mitchell, J. C. Daly, Pat Davin, P. O'Donnell, W. Keel, D. Shanahan, J. McCarthy, M. Conroy, J. Conroy, W. McCarthy, T. J. Moran, W. Phillips, M. J. Conroy, J. Conroy, P. Looney, D. Power and P. Keenan.

John Cullinane, agent in advance, arrived in the City of New York on her last trip, and will have charge of the arrangements for the exhibitions proposed to be given by the Irish athletes in this country and Canada.

It is proposed to get up the greatest international meeting ever held by athletes, to take place at the Polo Grounds, N. Y. A. C., and J. E. Sullivan, Pastime A. C., who met Mr. Cullinane at the club house of the N. Y. A. C. on the evening of Sept. 24.

Unless the members of the visiting team should decline to abide by the arrangement made by their agent, which is hardly to be expected, it will be readily seen that their trip will not be nearly so successful as it otherwise would be.

THE KENNEL. Apparently Wilful Misrepresentations of Facts Which Demand Retraction.

Mr. James Watson, late kennel editor of THE SPORTING LIFE, has drawn our attention to a letter which appears in the columns of the Turf, Field and Farm, written by Mr. James L. Anthony to Mr. P. T. Madison, secretary of the Indiana Kennel Club and dated May 3, 1888.

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