THE REACH BALL

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Cole, cf.....	2	2	0	2	0	0	Visner, rf....	4	1	1	2	1	0
Fisher, 2b...	4	0	2	2	5	0	Hickey, 3b..	5	2	2	0	3	0
Flood, rf....	5	0	2	1	0	0	McCrea'e, ss	3	1	0	3	4	0
Hill, 3b.....	5	1	0	1	2	0	Lohman, c..	4	1	0	6	0	0
McFarla'd,p	4	0	2	0	1	0	Cooper,p....	4	0	2	3	2	0
Total.....	36	5	11	11	27	9	3	Total.....	37	6	7	27	12	1
Cedar Rapids.....							3	1	1	0	1	0	1	4	0—11
Des Moines.....							0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	0— 6

Earned runs—Cedar Rapids 1, Des Moines 1. Two-base hits—Fuller, Fisher, Pace, Cooper. Three-base hits—Flood, Visner. First on balls—By Cooper 8, by McFarland 4. Hit by pitcher—By McFarland 1. Struck out—By Cooper 5, by McFarland 6. Double play—Visner, Lohman. Umpire—Ready. Time—2.10.

Games Played Sept. 3.

PEORIA VS. BURLINGTON AT PEORIA SEPT. 3:

PEORIA.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E.	BURLINGTON.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E.
Gallagh'r,lf	7	2	3	2	0	0	Lippert, lf..	3	1	0	0	0	1
Connors, cf	7	2	4	3	0	0	Healey, 2b..	4	0	1	3	4	1
Burke, 3b...	5	2	2	4	1	0	Violett, rf...	3	2	0	3	0	1
Wright, 1b..	5	3	3	13	0	1	Berryhill,c..	4	2	1	7	0	0
Seisler, rf...	6	2	3	3	0	0	White, cf....	3	1	1	1	0	0
Quinn, c....	6	2	2	0	2	0	Mesmer,3b..	4	1	0	1	2	2
Oswald, ss...	4	2	1	3	2	1	Breen, ss....	4	0	1	4	5	0
Neville, 2b..	5	2	1	0	4	1	Sonier, 1b....	4	0	0	8	0	2
Burris, p....	4	2	1	0	2	0	Coons, p....	4	0	0	1	3	0
Total.....	49	19	20	27	11	3	Total.....	33	7	4	27	14	7
Peoria							0	5	1	7	0	0	3	3	0—19
Burlington.....							0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	1— 7

Earned runs—Peoria 2. Two-base hits—Burke, Wright, Healey, Berryhill. Three-base hit—Seisler. Stolen bases—Connors 3, Burke, Wright, Seisler, Quinn, Oswald, Lippert 4, Violett 3, White. First on balls—By Burris 7, by Coons 1. Hit by pitcher—By Coons 4. Struck out—By Coons 4. Passed ball—Berryhill. Wild pitches—Coons 2. Umpire—Truby. Time—2.10.

CEDAR RAPIDS VS. ROCKFORD AT C. R. SEPT. 3:

CEDAR RA'S.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E	ROCKFORD.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E
Kennedy, ss	5	1	1	0	4	2	Newman,cf	5	0	1	3	0	0
Hutchi'n,1b	5	0	1	9	0	0	Esterqu't, ss	4	0	1	1	5	0
VanBur'n,lf	5	1	1	1	0	1	Kling, 1b, p	3	0	0	6	2	3
Fuller, c.....	5	2	2	3	3	0	Flaherty, 3b	5	0	0	0	2	3
Cole, cf.....	4	2	1	5	0	0	Dillon, lf,1b	4	1	1	9	1	1
Fisher, 2b...	4	2	0	5	2	0	Huff, c.....	2	2	0	5	2	0
Flood, rf.....	5	2	2	4	0	0	Warner,2b..	4	0	2	0	1	0
Hill, 3b.....	4	1	3	0	2	0	Under'd,p,lf	4	1	2	1	0	0
McDougal,p	4	1	0	0	1	0	Anderson,rf	4	0	0	1	1	0
Total.....	41	12	11	27	12	3	Total.....	35	4	7	*26	14	7

*Flood out, hit by ball after third strike.

Cedar Rapids.....	5	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	3—12
Rockford.....	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0— 4

Earned runs—Cedar Rapids 2. Two-base hit—Van Buren. Three-base hits—Warner, Underwood. First on balls—Cole, Fisher, McDougall, Hill, Huff, Kling 2, Esterquest. Hit by pitcher—Huff. Wild pitch—Kling. Struck out—Hutchinson, Flood, Van Buren, McDougal, Warner, Underwood. Sacrifice hits—Kennedy, Hutchinson. Stolen bases—Newman, Esterquest 2, Dillon, Fuller, Flood, Hill. Umpire—Ready. Time—2h.

Games Played Sept. 4.

CEDAR RAPIDS vs. ROCKFORD AT C. RA'S SEPT. 4:

CEDAR R'S.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E	ROCKFORD.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E
Kennedy, ss	4	2	1	2	3	1	Newman, cf	4	0	1	4	0	0
Hutchi'n,1b	4	0	1	10	1	0	Esterqu't, ss	4	0	0	4	2	1
VanBu'n, lf	4	1	1	3	0	0	Kling, 1b...	4	0	2	9	0	0
Fuller, c.....	5	1	1	4	2	0	Flaherty, 3b	4	0	1	1	0	0
Cole, cf.....	4	0	0	3	0	0	Dillon, rf....	4	0	0	3	0	0
Fisher, 2b...	3	0	0	0	4	0	Huff, c.....	3	1	2	3	0	1
Flood, rf.....	4	0	2	1	1	1	Warner, 2b.	4	0	1	2	2	0
Hill, 3b.....	4	0	2	2	2	1	Underw'd,lf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Mahaffy, p..	4	0	1	2	3	0	Anderson, p	3	1	1	0	5	0
Total.....	36	4	9	27	16	3	Total.....	34	3	8	27	9	2
Cedar Rapids.....							1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1—4
Rockford.....							0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0—3

Two-base hit—Kennedy. Sacrifice hit—Hutchinson. Stolen bases—Fuller 2, Flood, Hutchinson, Van Buren 3, Huff, Flaherty 2, Kling. Double plays—Fisher, Kennedy, Hutchinson; Fuller, Hill. First on balls—By Mahaffy 1, by Anderson 3. Hit by pitcher—Anderson, VanBuren. Struck out—By Mahaffy 2, by Anderson 3. Umpire—Ready. Time—2.05.

QUINCY VS. BURLINGTON AT QUINCY SEPT. 4:

QUINCY.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E	BURLING'N.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E
Lutenb'g,1b	5	0	1	13	0	0	Lippert, lf..	4	0	0	2	0	1
Frisbee, rf..	6	2	0	4	0	0	Healey, 2b..	4	0	0	5	6	0
Ferens'n,3b	4	3	1	1	1	1	Violett, rf...	2	0	0	2	0	0
Phillips, lf..	5	0	2	1	0	0	Shuster, 1b.	3	0	0	10	0	0
O'Conn'l, 2b	5	0	2	2	3	0	White,cf....	3	0	0	2	1	0
Sweeney, cf	4	2	0	1	0	0	Mesmer, c..	3	0	1	1	0	0
Berte, ss.....	3	3	1	2	4	0	Breen, ss....	3	0	0	2	5	2
Grave, c.....	4	2	2	1	1	0	Bradley, 3b	3	0	0	3	2	2
Hackett, p..	4	2	2	2	6	0	Rodman, p..	3	0	0	0	2	1
Total.....	41	14	11	27	15	1	Total.....	28	0	1	27	16	0
Quincy.....							1	2	2	0	0	2	4	0	3—14
Burlington							0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0— 0

Stolen bases—Ferguson 3, Frisbee 3. First on balls—By Rodman 10. Hit by pitcher—By Rodman 1. Struck out—By Hackett 1, by Rodman 1. Passed ball—Mesmer. Wild pitch—Rodman. Umpire—Pears. Time—1.35.

DES MOINES VS. ST. JOSEPH AT D. M. SEPT. 4:

DES MOIN'S.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E	ST. JOSEPH.	AB.	R.	B.	P.	A.	E
McCart'y, lf	4	1	1	2	0	1	Viox, 2b, p..	5	2	2	0	4	0
Mohler, 2b..	6	1	1	7	2	1	Waldron, rf	3	1	1	1	0	0
Kreig, 1b....	5	2	3	8	0	0	Donovan, lf	5	0	0	1	0	0
Pace, rf.....	4	2	1	0	0	0	Risley, 1b...	5	0	1	16	0	1
Visner, cf...	5	3	3	3	0	0	Williams, ss	4	0	0	2	3	1
Hickey, 3b..	5	2	2	1	4	1	Snyder,cf,2b	4	0	1	0	4	0
McCrea'e, ss	5	1	1	1	4	1	Sawyer, 3b..	2	0	0	0	1	1
Lohman, c..	5	3	2	5	2	1	Hauser, c....	4	0	1	5	1	0
Andrews, p	5	1	2	0	2	0	Kane, p, cf..	3	0	0	2	4	0
Total.....	44	16	16	27	14	5	Total.....	35	3	6	27	17	3

Des Moines	0	0	8	0	2	3	2	1	0—16
St. Joseph	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0— 3

Earned runs—Des Moines 6, St. Joseph 2. Home run—Kreig. Three-base hits—Andrews, Visner 2, Lohman. Two-base hits—Hickey, Lohman. Stolen bases—Hauser, Waldron, Sawyer, Pace 2, Visner 2, Lohman, McCarthy, Mohler. First on balls—By Andrews 3, by Kane 2, by Viox 1. Struck out—By Andrews 5, by Kane 2. Hits—Off Kane 8. Hit by pitcher—Sawyer. Wild pitch—Viox. Sacrifice hit—Waldron. First on errors—Des Moines 3, St. Joseph 3. Left on bases—Des Moines 4, St. Joseph 10. Umpire—Ward. Time—2.20.

PEORIA VS. DUBUQUE AT PEORIA SEPT. 4:

Peoria.....	1	4	0	0	2	0	8	0	1—16
Dubuque.....	0	1	0	0	4	2	0	0	0— 7

Hits—Peoria 14, Dubuque 9. Errors—Peoria 5, Dubuque 5. Batteries—Roach, Quinn; Streit, Sullivan. Umpire—Caruthers.

SCINTILLATING STARS.

The Eastern Pennant Now Within Reach of Buckenberger's Braves.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 6.—Editor "Sporting Life:"—The Eastern League teams are now in the homestretch, with Manager Buckenberger's bully boys from Syracuse well in the lead. The team returned from their trip last Saturday with the excellent record of 12 games won and four lost. This eclipses any record that has been made in many years by a team away from home.

THE TORONTOS

are now our guests at Star Park, opening a series of four games, commencing Saturday last. To the present writing Toronto has lost two of the four, and many there are who are satisfied to wager that Arthur Irwin s men will not win one game. The home team is certainly trotting very fast, and every member is loaded down with confidence. The pitchers are every one of them in prime condition and ready and willing to battle for their lives in the closing series of games.

A BIG ADVANTAGE.

The fact that the home team remains at Star Park for the balance of the season is certainly a source of satisfaction to the followers of the game. Every team in the circuit will play three games each here before the wind-up. The Torontos are drawing immense crowds here, and it is expected that to-day's attendance will smash all records for Syracuse. There is one cloud on the bright page of the history of the National game in this city, and that is the contemptible treatment the Toronto team has received at the hands of a few curs at Star Park.

BAD TREATMENT.

Saturday last as the Torontos were leaving the grounds they were shamefully assaulted with cushions by small boys and loafers, and as the 'bus drove away from the entrance several eggs were thrown at the players. This was all done with apparently no effort by the police or others in authority to prevent it After the game yesterday as Mains and McGann, of the visitors, were leaving the field carrying the big bat bag they were bombarded with cushions in a shameful manner. Not a police officer was in sight, and the players were compelled to stand the outrageous treatment until they reached their 'bus. This affair looks funny to some folks, but it is a lasting shame. The two games already played have been free from anything of an objectionable character on the part of the Toronto team, and they have played good, clean ball.

RYAN'S GOOD WORK.

There are many bright spots at present on the roster of the Syracuse Club, and catcher Jack Ryan is shining with brilliancy. Ryan goes in day after day, and his work is of the finest. It is said that the big League will reach out after Ryan for next season. His work is certainly of the finest quality this year both at bat and field. Ex-Giant Johnny Ward was at the game last Saturday, and it was observed that he paid pretty close attention to the playing of several of the men on the field, particularly Ryan. Manager Irwin's "pawn shop" seems to be on the run at present, and can't stand the fast work of Buckenberger's "Biffers." The prospects for Syracuse winning that pennant are decidedly bright at present, and President Frank Ames, of the Rooters' Club, can't see any other club anywhere in sight.

EAGAN SOLD.

The news is out that Bill Eagan goes to Brooklyn next season and Jimmy Canavan comes here. We are sorry to lose Eagan, but glad to get Canavan, who stands high in the estimation of Syracuseans. Col. Mason is umpiring good ball. They are pleased with him at Wilkesbarre, and that is recommendation enough for any man.

Jack O'Brien has jumped into favor in Syracuse. He hits the ball, and that is the whole thing.

Mullarkey keeps up his wonderful work. If this pitcher could develop a slow ball he would be invincible.

Pitcher Horner reported here yesterday, and was on the coacher's line during the game.

Manager Landgraf, of the champion amateur Alerts, of New York, was at Star Park yesterday. Mr. Landgraf says that in his opinion the New York State League is fully as fast as the Atlantic League, and Mr. Landgraf is competent to judge.

G. WHIZ.

GOOD YOUNG BATSMEN.

Youngsters Who at Least Hold Their Own With the Stick.

From Wilkesbarre "Record."

The National League has something like 230 players included among its teams and according to recent computations there are only 47 men batting .300 per cent. or over. It is a peculiar fact that the youngsters who have recently been pulled into fast company are able to hold their own to a remarkable degree in the way of batting, while many who have had the benefit of several years' experience in the National circuit cannot get into the coveted class. Here are 12 youngsters included in the list of 47:

Wallace.....	.335	Sockalexis.....	.335
Lajoie.....	.362	Collins.....	.333
Demont.....	.355	Stahl.....	.329
Corbett.....	.353	Klobedanz.....	.324
Harley.....	.349	Dexter.....	.323
Bowerman.....	.340	Ritchey.....	.312

And it is peculiar to recall that Ritchey never hit above .250 in the Eastern League in 1896, and Demontreville also always batted under .300 in the Eastern League.

BOOMING IN 'FRISCO.

The Game in the Western Metropolis —The Championship Contests— Large Crowds Attend the Games— Tips on the Local Stars.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—Editor "Sporting Life:"—Base ball is booming in this city, and in fact, throughout the State, and the cranks are now enjoying some old-time base ball, full of brilliant play. The clubs are very evenly matched, and in most cases it would be a wise prophet who could foretell the winner of the different games that have been contested on the Central Park diamond of late.

THE DECIDING SERIES

of the championship contests begins here the first Sunday in September, and from that date some rattling good battles will be fought by the remaining teams. Next Sunday is the last of the semi-finals, and several clubs will be obliged to drop out of the fight. Those remaining after Sunday next will be eligible for the finals, which series will be unusually interesting, as a schedule is to be prepared by the committee, and all clubs will finish the season regardless of the number of games won or lost, therefore a club losing three games was dropped from the race. In my opinion the following clubs will be in the finals, viz.: Reliance, Bushnell, Alerts, Los Angeles, California, Markets, Weesemans, Gilt Edge, Santa Cruz, S. F. Athletic Club and Bakersfield. Reliance has an unbroken record of victories in the preliminaries and semi-finals, and will be a strong factor in the race, but I would not dare to pick the winner just now, as all the managers will strengthen their teams at the conclusion of the present series. From 5000 to 10,000 people flock to the Central Park grounds, while an average of 3000 witness the games at the other parks.

A BENEFIT

will be tendered the widow of the late William Elmer Rockwell at the Presidio Park. A large number of tickets have been sold and the committee in charge are satisfied that there will be a large attendance, as Mr. Rockwell was one of the most popular base ball men in the country and had hosts of friends in this city.

It is expected that the propsed trip of the Baltimore-All American combination to this coast will be a financial success to the promoters, but it is not certain where they will be able to play their games in this city. Central Park will be monopolized by the tournament games, so will not be available. New grounds are spoken of at the corner of Harris avenue and Eighth streets, which would be centrally located. The fans all believe that the Orioles and picked aggregation will have to hustle to keep up with the pace set by the State teams. The locals are surely playing good ball.

SOME OF OUR STARS.

The leaders in the different positions up to date are Maugerina, catcher; Balsz, pitcher; Hennessey, first base; Arrellanes, second base; King, third base; McCarthy, shortstop; Burge outfielder. While the above players have the best of the records and are hard working, earnest players there are many others well up in the game and worthy of especial mention.

Williams, the snappy little short stop of Santa Cruz, and Cameron, the speedy second baseman of the Athletic Club, are wonders in their line, trying for everything. Hughes and Doyle are two fine twirlers and stickers of the first water. In Ed Daubenbiss the Santa Cruz have a southpaw rivaling Phil Knell, who, by the way, is doing good work himself.

Wilson, Peters and Chance are the three other catchers who form the leading quartet of backstops in the tournament, while "Tom" Maguire and "Farmer Bill" Devereaux are pillars of strength on the initial bag.

MANAGER GEO. CASSIDY.

of Benicia, has one of the strongest independent teams in the State, having corraled some excellent players to strengthen his team. Benicia is a small city to support a professional ball nine, but it does it splendidly. "Cass" has secured Noyes, the best catcher the State has had of late, and who, by the way, refused several good Eastern offers for his present berth, although he will probably go to St. Joe or Peoria next spring. Peddicord, his twirler, was the mainstay of the Regulars. This season his best record being when he pitched twenty-five consecutive innings, allowing his opponents but three hits and no runs. In five straight games but thirteen hits were made off his delivery. He has a combination of curves and lots of speed, besides a most tantalizing slow ball. Lacey, the first base man, is all right in his position, and a good sticker. The other infielders, Krathey, Reed and Cassidy are old-timers, but get around like colts, running, batting and fielding for all there is in it. A very fast outfield is Andrews, Gormley and Kramer, and with Cassidy himself fit to go in the box at any moment, the team is the best the old capital has had for quite a while.

Ed. Gise, Theodore Rueger and the rest of the Rueger family are the General Dixwells of this team, and in that capacity old Hi-Hi himself could do no better.

Stockton has another strong team, but has no permanent organization. Everyone is watching the sport, and the sport is booming.

KING CHOCOLATE.

SAGINAW SIGHING

For a Place in the Western League Next Year.

Saginaw, Mich., Sept. 3.—Editor "Sporting Life:"—Once more has the Michigan State League gone down, and this time for good. The primary cause was the over-stepping by some clubs of the salary limit, yet all the trouble cannot be traced to that source. There were some exhibitions of rowdyism that disgusted the people, and unpaid salaries closed up the game. When the League broke Saginaw was in the lead with several games to spare.

The players have scattered, and the fans' headquarters are almost deserted. Many State Leaguers are in the Western, among them Griffin, McKinney and Hagerman, of Grand Rapids; Tibald, of Minneapolis, and Irwin with Detroit; Van Duzen, Beville and many more have gone to their homes, while a few are still in town. Hennager will remain here for the winter.

There has been considerable talk lately concerning Saginaw's chances for admission to the Western League. It has been commonly reported that the Grand Rapids franchise was shaky, and that Leadley would close out for a reasonable price.

It would be an easy matter to raise that price and put this city in the class where it belongs. We have been in the famous old Northwestern, the International, the Ohio-Michigan, the Interstate and any number of State organizations, and never has this city failed to support a good team. It need not be able to win pennants, although that is a very desirable thing, but if the men play the best ball of which they are capable and behave like gentlemen off the field the game will pay and pay well. The city itself has a population of 60,000 with easily 30,000 more to draw on, and with the added advantages of rapid transit on land and water to all parts of the city and into the suburbs.

The ball park has been in use two years, and is as fine a diamond as there is in the State. The grounds are three minutes' ride on the electric cars from the business centre. It would be difficult to find more centrally located or better grounds for playing than Union Park.

WESTBROOK.

BURLINGTON BUDGET.

More New Players Secured to Bolster up the Team.

Burlington, Ia., Sept. 2.—Editor "Sporting Life:"—Still we lose. Won't somebody head us off? More men injured. Williams is home now with a split finger, received in the second Peoria game. White is back again, after he received injuries on the road, being compelled to play, as there was none to take his place.

FOUR NEW PLAYERS

who were ordered to meet the club at Peoria, but on account of a blunder on the part of "Big 4" officials they will meet Berryhill at Quincy, are Weaver, centrefield; Sheehan, short; Berkshire, pitcher, Shuster an in and outfielder. Williams speaks very highly of Weaver, our new fielder, and says he is a good fielder and hitter.

Lippert and Breen had another collision in short left field after a fly ball. Lippert had a cut in his chin that required several stitches, and Breen had the wind thumped out of him. Llp was out for a couple of games, but is back once more.

"BIG" SONIER,

who has been with Des Moines the last three seasons, was signed by Berryhill at Peoria. By what terms he got him I am unable to state at present. If he is in good shape to play after his long rest we will be pretty well fixed in the box. Sonier was to have gone to the Minneapolis Club, but the salary was not what he expected to get, so, instead of reporting, went to Peoria, where he has been umpiring and taking an occasional hour to practice in. Thompson was sent home and given his release, as he has been very wild. He says the manager has not treated him right, and I think he wanted to win the game on his own hook, instead of relying on the team behind him, and in consequence could not locate the plate.

THE TEAM'S MAKE UP.

When the new players reach the club the line up will be something like this: Lippert, left field; Weaver, centre; Violett, right; Berryhill, first base; Healey, second; Breen, third; Sheehan, short; Mesmer, catcher; Berkshire, Rodman, Coons, Sonier, pitchers. With Dal Williams in shape to play a reversal of things may be looked for. Rodman is getting settled down now, since he has resumed play after being idle for two months or more. His first game was a record breaker—thirteen bases on balls. What can you expect from a man that has not had hold of a ball for that long a time as I have noted?

The new directory is standing by the club and paying all expenses, despite their woeful showing on the road.

JAS. H. LLOYD.

READING'S REVOLT.

The Town Tired of Denny Long and His Team.

Reading, Pa., Sept. 6.—Editor "Sporting Life:"—Manager Denny Long with his tail-end team and his indifference to the local public's demands has effectually killed base ball here, so far as the Atlantic League article is concerned. This is shown by the fact that the attendance has become so small that Long has been forced to transfer all the games for the remainder of the season.

HAS HIM ON THE HIP.

Joe Herndon, one of the Reading Club's best pitchers, who has had trouble with Long, states that the latter owes his players over $1000 in salaries. Herndon says: "Long was the first man to go down in his pocket to help out Norfolk, when the Southern team was about to give up. He could easily do this, as he had only a few days before refused to pay the club their guarantee of $134.54." Gallagher went to Washington and explained his case to Nick Young, and the chief official says Long must pay Gallagher's salary from the time he was laid off or forfeit his franchise.

Five of Denny Long's best players, who have been "turned down," have formed a team of their own and play two games a week with amateur clubs around Reading. The five men are Raymond, Herndon, Gallagher, Minnahan and Kinsella, filling out the team with local amateurs. The club is managed by Bob Reith, a Reading sporting man, and the players say they are making more money than they ever got under Long.