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New One for Boston National Grounds.

Will Accommodate 27,000, Pres Gaffney Says.

Stallings Becomes One of the Directors of the Club.

Pres James E. Gaffney of the B ton National League club annound yesterday afternoon at the close of annual meeting of the stockhold and directors, that the Boston country would be the stock of the stockhold and directors, that the Boston country would be the stockhold and country the land country and country the land country that is the land country that the land country that is the land count of the Bos-b announced

annual meeting of the stockholders and directors, that the Boston club would build a new steel and concrete at a cost of upward of \$375,000, and that when it is completed the seating capacity will be 27,000.

He could not state definitely, just when construction of the new stand would begin, but declared that the work would be well along toward completion before the Fourth of July.

He had no doubt, he said, that Gen Taylor and Pres McAleer would consent to allow the use of Fenway Park for the playing of National League games until the new stand was completed. pleted.

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The two wings of the stand in which will be the 50 cent seats will take the space now occupied by the first and third-base bleachers, the extremities of which will rest on the foul lines. These will be made of cement and steel and will be covered, thus making practically one stand entirely of steel and concrete.

There is no possibility of making the playing field wider because of its contiguity to Columbus av, on one side, and the railroad on the other, but under the new plan it will be 10 fect greater in length.

The ground occupied by the brick building on the northwest corner of Columbus av and Walpole st will be acquired and the new stand will extend back into what is now a vacant lot where the automobiles have been parked.

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Promises a First-Class Plant.

Pres Gaffney did not bring with him the accepted plans for the new stand, having inadvertently left them in his desk in New York, but he and Robert Davis, the new director, explained them from memory.

In the front part of the main stand there will be four rows of boxes, and behind these will be 67 rows of seats. On the roof, in addition to the press box, there will be four rows of boxes and seats which will provide seating accommodations for 700 persons

Asked as to the probable cost of the new stand, Mr Gaffney said that the lowest bid received was \$376.794. It had not yet been decided, he said, when the building operations would begin. The successful working of concrete in the Winter time, Mr Gaffney delared, was uncertain, and he intimated that the work probably would not begin until the weather became settled in the Spring. Once begun, he said, it would be rushed to the limit.

The getting of steel, he declared, would be the most difficult problem. The best offer that he could now get as to delivery was 12 weeks, and he knew from experience that that meant 14 or 15 weeks.

Mr Gaffney said he proposed to have a first-class plant and also a first-class plant a

Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boston club was held in the club's office in the Paddock Building yesterday afternoon, and a meeting of the new board of directors followed im-

the new board of a new board of direc-mediately.

The election of a new board of direc-tors resulted in the choice of the follow-ing: James E Gaffney, George T. Stall-ings, Joseph J. Lannin, Robert H. Davis and C. James Connelly.

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and C. James Connelly.

James E. Gaffney was elected treasurer, Frederick R. Killeen assistant treasurer, and Herman Nickerson clerk, The new members on the board of directors are Messrs Stallings, Lannin and Davis, who take the places of Frederick J. Murphy, Frederick A. Killeen and Charles Clanford.

At a meeting of the new board the following officers were elected: James E. Gaffney, president; C. James Connelly, vice president, and Herman Nickerson, secretary.

All the business that came before both meetings was transacted in half an hour.

hour. Among the stockholders present were Messrs Gaffney, Connelly, Killeen, Davis, Fred W. Woodcock and Fred J. Murphy, the last named by prosy.

COOMBS BECOMES SHORTER

Iliness Effects His Stature, But He Will Be Able to Pitch as Well as Ever.

PHILADELPHIA, Coombs, one of the star pitchers of the Philadelphia American League Club, will be one-sixteenth of an inch shorter in stature by reason of the illness that Leath they can be the control of the council leath they can be seen that they are all leath they can be seen that they can be see in stature by reason of the illness that kept him out of the game all last

season.
This fact was established when
N-ray photograph of his spine
taken at the University of Penn

Coombs is now sitting up a short time each day and expects soon to be taken to his farm in Maine. The doc tors say he will gain strength rapidly and that noxt year he will be as good and that next year l as ever as a pitcher.

FINED IN TICKET SCANDAL

Richard J. Donovan, Who Was Employed at the Polo Grounds, Admits His Guilt.

EW YORK, Nov 21—Investigation of methods by which hundreds of ets to the World's Series baseball the methods by which hundreds of tickets to the World's Series baseall games last month reached the hands of speculators, to be sold at fancy prices, resulted today in the conviction of Richard J. Donovan, a ticket seller employed at the Polo Grounds. Donovan was fined \$100.

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Donovan was trapped by a clerk employed by the New York National Lengue Baseball Club. For a premium of \$1 a ticket Donovan sold a block of 100 \$2 tickets to this clerk without knowing his identity. Donovan pleaded not guilty, but when confronted with his accuser broke down and admitted his guilt. MAY TRANSFER FRANCHISE.

Lake, it is Said, Favors Fitchburg for New England League Club. FITCHBURG. Nov 21—Fred Lake, who has been a scout for the Detroit team of the American League, it is who has been a scout for the Detroit to am of the American League, it is understood, desires to transfer the franchise of the New Bedford team of the New England league to this city. Baseball fans heré will subscribe fo stock if the team comes to Flichburg ague, it transfer i