

LA TECT GOSSIP IN PUGILISM

Fitzsimmons and Jeffries Coining Money.

Lightweight Champion Joe Gans Succeeds in Putting Wil- son to Sleep.

Tim Murphy, the Australian welter-weight, who has been out of the game since his defeat at the hands of Young Peter Jackson, is desirous of butting in once more. Murphy has been working all the Union Iron Works for the past four months and feels that he can hustle some of the local bruisers.

Joe Walcott has lost prestige in New York since he began to go down the to-boggan. There was a time when Walcott was looked upon as the king bee of the colored sports in Gotham, but now it is quite different. It is said that all his old-time friends are deserting him. A story illustrating what a wonderful influence Joe had over Greater New York goes something like this: The detectives were scouting around for a notorious colored crook, and were informed that he might be picked up at a well-known colored sporting resort if the detectives went about it in the right way. "What do you mean by the right way?" asked the detective of the dandy who had volunteered the information.

"Why, dat coon you am after am a sick customer. He nevah shows his face when dar am strangers in de place. He am dead stuck on Joe Walcott, the fightin' Mr. Walcott am goin' to be at de club, tonight. Just follow him, and when he steps on de inside you'll hear dem coon shout 'Joe Walcott, Joe Walcott.' anywhere 't's a cinch he's goin' to stick his paw out to shake with Walcott."

The officers decided to follow the tip and when Walcott showed up at the place there was a wild rush to shake hands with him. One of the first individuals to greet Walcott was the man the police were after. He was hastily congratulating Joe on his victory over Chynokai when the fly bruiser nabbed him.

"I knowed you folks would get dat beat," remarked the colored man who had tipped it off. "Any time you am lookin' for a sick remen like dat Joe Walcott, Mr. Walcott or de hand in Ole Kentucky. If de're a coon in de place you can bet all de cash in youn hand dat he gwine to poke his noodle out to see what's goin' on."

Houseman, the Chicago sporting writer, who has been using for John Hertz, manager of Benny Yanger, fires several broadsides into Mr. Hertz. Lou has a letter showing that Hertz and Sam Wolfson, manager of Abe Attell, endeavored to work an alleged fake game on the public between the two boys, the agreement being that Yanger was to guarantee not to knock Attell out. There have been many cloudy deals in the game of late, and this one does not help it any. Hertz has not explained his position as yet, but he should do so at once, if he expects the sporting writers of the country to recognize him at all.

Already there is much interest in the approaching wrestling match between Jim Parr and Tom Jenkins, which will take place at the Arena on Broadway under the auspices of the 60th Regiment, A. A. and management of Harry Brown. Parr is training as he never trained before, and appears to be sincere in his declaration that he will win. Parr and Jenkins, who is a former champion, will wrestle at the Buffalo Gymnasium, recently and have treated the big fellow to an awful grueling. Parr threw the Canadian twice, but it was no fun.

"Lanky" Bob Fitzsimmons, in reply to the Philadelphia Post, says that he will fight before the Fint Art Club of Philadelphia, is reported to have said: "Jeffries and I can make more money than \$2,500 in one night. We are meeting with great success, and from here we will work west, and we intend to take Europe. We can make more money there without bothering with any such baggage as Ruhlins sends out. Personally, I am ready to meet any man in the world that can offer sufficient inducements. So far as Corbett is concerned, I guess he can ultimately fight with Jeffries if he wants it bad."

In the event of Abe Attell of San Francisco being unable to secure a fit opponent, Billy Maynard of Chicago announces that he will step into the breach and tackle Attell. Maynard says that he can beat Attell, and is prepared to fight within two weeks' time called upon.

"Twin" Sullivan of Boston is to take a trip to England shortly. Sullivan has been practically matched to box Jack Palmer, the English middle-weight champion, who took Eddie Connolly's scalp a few weeks ago. The new Adelphi Club wants the fight and Sullivan will sail for the other side upon receipt of training expenses.

Wito Peckham, who is now managing a club at Bradford, Pa., is evidently not ready to hold a match between Joe Gans and any man who is capable of giving him an argument. Peckham wants the contest limited to 20 rounds.

The announcement that Jim Corbett has posted \$2,500 cash as an evidence that he is sincere in his desire to fight Jim Jeffries for the championship, must be taken as a serious thought, in spite of the fact that both are in the theatrical business. The champion has snuffed at Corbett's challenge ever since it was first issued, but at the same time has been complaining because he can't get anybody to fight him. Corbett has literally camped on the champion's trail ever since the latter's fight with Fitzsimmons in an endeavor to have him agree to something definite, but Jeffries has proved most elusive, and notwithstanding his repeated statements, he has studiously evaded issues. It's certainly up to the champion now.

"My muscles are always soft," says Tommy Ryan. "I never get into the ring with them all drawn tight like some of those bullfighters."

Jack O'Brien is authority for the statement that Eddie Carter is the most dangerous man in the ring. "If he lands his wing," says O'Brien, "somebody is sure to take the count."

"Jim" Parr of England, who is to meet Tom Jenkins this month at Buffalo, weighs 151 pounds now, against 150 he weighed a year ago. He accounts for his increase in weight by taking good care of himself and living mostly outdoors. In speaking of the prospective match, Parr says: "I think that I will have a better chance of defeating Jenkins than I did a year ago. I am like a new man, and as I increased weight, I have increased my strength. I will have an additional advantage in the fact that flat falls will suit this time."

Rube Fene will train for his fight with

SPORTING EVENTS



FLOYD COOK
Multnomah's Kicking Football

Matty Matthews at Buffalo. Matthews and Fene are to meet in Pittsburgh within two weeks.

Joe Bernstein's fight with Jimmy Briggs which was to have taken place before the Criterion A. C. Boston, on December 19, has been postponed until December 31. Pat Sweeney and Benfield Walcott will meet on the first night of the season.

Joe Chynokai has had a bit of a hard time. The Chicago while training for a bout with Tommy West he broke a bone in one of his hands and has been compelled to abandon work for a month. Consequently his tilt with West has been cancelled.

Eddie Hawkins of San Francisco and Kid McPartland of Chicago have been matched to box six rounds at Philadelphia the latter part of next month. The pair are old foemen and ought to put up a stirring struggle.

Eddie Lenny seems to have recovered from his illness, for he has just been matched to box Austin Rice, the "Iron Man." They are to come together at Providence, R. I., on Christmas Day. The "go" is for 20 rounds at 125 pounds.

It appears that Tommy West's retirement from the ring has only been temporary, for West has just signed articles to box Marvin Hart of Louisville before the Savannah A. C., Savannah. No date has as yet been selected, but the probability is that the pugilist will have it during the last week of December or during the first week in January.

COLLEGE GIRLS PLAY BASKETBALL

The Barnard College Team Is Vanquished by Normalites.

Barnard College lost its first intercollegiate basketball game of the year this week to the Normal College five in this city's gymnasium. Normal scored 4 points in the first half and increased the figure to 16 in the second, while 2 points made by Miss Fisher of Barnard in the second period was the best the Morning-side institution could do. The passing of both teams was good and there was little or no rough play or fouling. Normal had prepared a song for the occasion which went as follows:

We're Normal girls, we're jolly girls,
We're in the game for fun, etc.
And when it comes to basketball,
Ye gods, how we can run, sir;
Normal, Normal, he! he! he!
Chokes and sugar candy.

We're the N. C. B. R. J.
And with the ball we're handy.
"So this outburst Barnard replied with "On the Heights of Morning-side," their college song. The teams will meet again in the Barnard gymnasium on January 24.

GREAT COACH IS UNDECIDED

Yost of Michigan May Not Lead Wolverines Next Season.

There are all kinds of rumors about from Ann Arbor just previous to Yost's departure, as to his intentions for next year. Some say he is going to Wisconsin, others are certain that he will take Dr. Williams' place at Minnesota, and still others circulate that he has been offered a big sum to go to Missouri.

"Will you come back to Michigan next year?" he was asked.

"I do not know," he replied. "I sometimes think I have done all I can ever accomplish at Michigan. I will not decide until about Christmas time."

Yost's contract reads that if he does not intend to coach Michigan a succeeding year he must give notice at the close of the football season. The season was closed on the night of Thanksgiving and at the football banquet last night he did not shake his head, though sentiment was that "we must have Yost next year."

The management seems to be confident that he will be back to take charge of the 1903 team.

Sporting news, Tracy & Denny, 105 4th.

FAMOUS PLAYER ELECTED COACH

Patrick O'Dea, Hero of Many a Game, to Direct Osteopaths.

Pat O'Dea, hero of many a Wisconsin football battle, will coach the football team of the American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo., next season. O'Dea coached Missouri University the past season and Dr. Hetherington, director of athletics there, endeavored to secure O'Dea for the position. O'Dea, after the season closed, but he failed.

During the last week O'Dea has been a guest of the family of President Kirk

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BASEBALL NOTES

What the Busy Fans Are Talking About.

Harvard's baseball schedule will be submitted to the Athletic Committee, for approval, shortly. There are several changes from last year. The first Yale game will be played in Class Day week, but not on Class Day. This gives precedent a compound fracture. The game will be played on Tuesday instead of on the historic Friday. The University of Virginia has been dropped from the schedule, because Virginia objected last year to Matthews, Harvard's colored crack from Andover, taking part in the game. Matthews will be one of the strongest players this year, and a game with Virginia is accordingly out of the question. Colby has also been dropped from the schedule. A spring trip will be taken, and the trip will include two games with Georgetown, but Tufts has not been reinstated in the Crimson schedule.

George Tolan, manager and owner of the Louisville Club, has decided to play the team instead of spending the holidays in Denver. George had his little confab with Messrs. Packard, Sexton, Burns and Nichols, and no doubt gained his point. He thinks that the American and National League will patch up their trouble and get down to a basis where the owners can make a few cents.

It is said that Barney Dreyfus of the Pittsburgh Club has secured an option on the New York National League Club. Dreyfus is supposed to be acting for some syndicate.

The game between the Washington Club and the New York Club in New York, and that Clark Griffith will be the manager.

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GREAT GAME ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Football Elevens in Best of Condition.

University of Oregon Eleven Confident of Winning Holiday Event.

By JOHN A. MORAN.

Everything is in readiness for the great football fray on Christmas afternoon in this city. All is expectation. The Multnomah boys feel confident, while the Eugene players are full of hope. White neither of the teams have had the amount of practice that is requisite in order to insure the highest grade of football. It must be remembered that they have been out back in not having the advantage of lining up against opposing elevens. It is well enough to watch a team go through their signals in a clever manner, but there is a big difference playing against atmosphere and playing against humanity. Football theory is an excellent thing, but practice and work are the important essentials. It is a simple thing to get eleven men together and issue challenges. But real football is not played in that fashion. The science of football is most intricate. The playing rules are easily understood, yet how few teams play according to rules.

The work of developing a first-class team continues from year to year. It is true that almost every team that has coached was victorious from the start. You will hear some say that the greatest football strategist in the country, Michigan, under his tutelage, made a remarkable record for two seasons, but did Michigan play one team east of Chicago? How would Michigan have fared with Yale, Harvard, Princeton or Pennsylvania? Think over it.

And what applies to Eastern colleges fits the case of many Western teams. Football in the West is practically new, and great strides have been taken to advance and encourage the sport. Disinterested spectators think that there is nothing but glory for a football player. Those who are in position to know are well aware that the only glory a player gets out of football is good, hard usage. That is true wherever football is played. It is all well enough to receive the applause of the multitude and the encouragement of the bleachers, but after one crawls back to the "gym," bruised and sore, covered from head to foot with mud, he will afterward ask himself, "Is it worth it?"

COLLEGE SPIRIT.

Of course, college spirit is the best sentiment a man can get, and it only falls to the lot of a few to become heroes. Still it matters little the number of college men that become famous, they are all the same. It is the college spirit that counts. Nevertheless, it is the college spirit that counts.

How pleasant it is to recall the good old days when Woodruff and Gilbert of Pennsylvania, "Laurie" Ellis and Brink Thorne of Yale, Hillebrand and the lucky Poos of Orange and Black, faded, fully of Harvard, Camp, Dabiel and Moffatt, Bray and Rhinehart of Lafayette, all shone in the brightness of their names and glory.

SOME FAMOUS PLAYERS.

Mention Hare's name, and he is known the world over. The same way with Pat O'Dea, Matthews, Bothner and scores of wonderful players. It was a revelation to see those men perform. Picture Daly, late of the Crimson, but now a West Point, being congratulated on Franklin Field. The cheering and shouting of the thousands of spectators, the President Roosevelt for his magnificent performance! I imagine ten thousand students and admirers parading the streets of New York all night, following a victory over Princeton. The spirit that makes the game popular, the spirit that will make the game endure.

It is expected that an immense crowd will witness the game on Christmas Day in Multnomah Athletic Field. Portland should turn out to holiday attire for the event. Football in the East is unheard of at this season of the year, and this city should be congratulated upon having the advantage of seeing good football in the winter months.

PLAYERS ARRIVE.

The University of Oregon players arrived today. They will have secret practice until the day of the game. The University partisans are greatly interested in the approaching battle and will be present to watch the clinching and routing. The players who will probably line up for the University are: McKinney, Kerron, Friezele, A. Thayer, Jakman, Watts, Ziegler, Bradley, Goodrich, J. Templeton, Hale and C. Templeton, Scott and Payne.

Coach McMillan of the local team says that all of his men are in excellent condition for the game. The men go through their signals well and form their interlocking without a hitch. The following men will represent the Multnomah Club: Keller, Van Voorhis, Valentine, Pratt, Kirkley, Dooling, McMillan, Stott, Bishop, Kerrigan and Cook.

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