SPORTING EVENTS

BOXING TALENT'S LATEST DOINGS

Jerome Quigley May Visit This City.

Forbes and Long to Go Twenty Rounds Before Oakland Reliance Club.

Charley Davis, the well-known Chicago bookmaker, recently died in that city.

Henry Fagin, one of the Windy City's prominent lightweights, and Charley Sieger, who recently lasted 14 rounds with Champion Joe Gans, are listed to meet before the America Club of Chicago, January 9.

Chicago in future intends calling a halt on the recent cheap-priced prizefights, falsely announced as "boxing exhibitions," and Sheriff Barnett is quoted as saying "that nothing but boxing entertainments for the purpose of encouraging the manly art of self-defense will be tolerated."

George Gardner, prior to his defeat of "Kid" Carter at Chicago, had a lively go with a Wisconsin lumber man at his training quarters. The latter put up a stiff argument, but the Massachusetts lad caught him with a wallop on the jaw and he went down. It took nearly 10 minutes to bring him to, and when he had dressed himself, refused to take away his boxing outfit, saying to an attendant: "You may have them, young fellow. I thought I was a fighter, but I'm through. Driving an ice wagon is more to my line."

Tim Kearns, the Massachusetts lightweight, will make Chicago his home in the future, and has been matched to box Jack O'Keefe six rounds in that city. At a later date he is to meet Barney Furey of Cincinnati at Muskegon, Mich., a side bet of $500 being at issue.

QUIGLEY COMING.

Jerome Quigley, the Philadelphia welterweight boxer, writes The Journal as follows: "I intend journeying Westward at a near date, and may pay Portland a visit. I am better now than ever, and will meet any man in my division in the Northwest."

Frank Ely, who claimed to be the champion of Northern California, recently turned up at Fort Jones, Cal., and a few days afterward Curley Smith (the "Montana Kid") put in an appearance. A contest was pulled off which Smith won with the greatest ease. Then the pair of "sure thing" boxers turned up at Callahan and "fixed" another go. The stakeholder skipping out with the side bet of $250, which had been put up by gullible sports of Northern California. The stakeholder, Smith and Ely are now said to be heading toward Southern California.

FORBES AND LONG.

Clarence Forbes of Chicago (brother of Harry Forbes) and Louie Long of Oakland, Cal., are listed to box 15 rounds before the Oakland Reliance Club on January 20. The men will weigh in at 122 pounds. Monte Attel and Jockey Carrigan will meet in the preliminary.

Harry Maynard, the old-time ex-lightweight boxer, the other night while feeling a little under the influence of John Barleycorn strayed through the Golden Gate City's tenderloin, running across a congenial friend who invited him to his room and share his couch. Maynard now mourns the loss of his watch and chain and some cash, but has not located his "friend" as yet.

The report from the East to the effect that the amateur championship contests of the United States may take place at San Francisco is without foundation. The expenses entailed by the cross-the-continent journey is the rock on which the arrangements split.

Willie Smith, the well-known golfer, has accepted the management of the Santa Barbara, Cal., links.

The wrestling colony in this country has been augmented by another foreign knight of the mat. The latest arrival is Anje Christenson, of Copenhagen, Denmark. Christenson is only 16 years of age and weighs 200 pounds. He is a pupil of Beck Olson, the champion heavyweight of Denmark, who threw Ernest Roeber at Madison Square a couple of years ago.

Leo Baptiste is the name of a new heavyweight wrestler from St. Louis, whom good judges think is a comer on the mat. Baptiste is a half brother to George Baptiste, the noted French wrestler, and is out with a challenge to meet any Graeco-Roman or catch-as-catch-can expert in the business. Baptiste has a long record. Most of his bouts were decided in Australia and in the Klondike.

Ed Atherton, the up-the-state middleweight champion, and Alois Gouthier, the "Giant Frenchman," have finally been matched. The pair have signed articles to meet in a mixed-style match, best two in three falls to count, for a purse of $500 at Batavia, N. Y., on January 9.

Neil Wants to Come

The Pastime Athletic Club of this city has received a letter from Al Neil who recently was awarded the decision over Tommy Reilly at San Francisco on a foul, in which he evinces the desire to meet a prominent man in his division under the Pastime's auspices. Neil's date with Morgan Williams before a Colorado club having been declared off the Californian after a brief rest intends issuing a sweeping defi to all men in the 154-pound division.

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THEY CHARM NO MORE.

As an evidence of the people's dislike towards professional football, even though it may be played by the greatest college stars that ever flashed across the gridiron, only a mere handfull of spectators witnessed the indoor exhibition held at Madison Square Garden, New York City, last week. There can be but one explanation for this lack of attendance. Football was intended for an amateur sport, and that it must remain. Twenty-five thousand enthusiasts will brave the storm in order to witness a college contest, but not one twentieth of that number would care to sit comfortably in Madison Square Garden and watch the once famous players perform. In other days the mere mention of Charlie Gilbert's name would arouse the most unbounded applause. He wore the red and blue for four years with glory and honor to himself and the University of Pennsylvania, which he represented. Bachman of Lafayette, Wallace and Teas of Pennsylvania, Kindgen of Columbia, the Warners of Cornell, and the Pierce brothers, of Carlisle Indian fame, all were there, and shone in the glory of the past, but the crowds that once admired, idolized and revered them did not display the same free spirit that characterized their presence when the players were free from the touch of professionalism. 'Tis sad to think of it, but it is only too true, and yet it is right in every way.

PRIZE FIGHTERS ON THE STAGE

The Sporting Public Is Very Tired of Theatrical Champions.

Discussing the offers made to Munroe to join a theatrical company, a writer in the St. Louis Republic gives vent to some sound sense. He says:

"The sporting public is sick of theatrical champions. Appearance on the stage is legitimate enough; in fact, it is desirable as it gives every one a chance to see the holder of the world's honors. But the prostitution of a sport merely to fill the pockets of managers with money is in itself sufficient to kill any game; and this prostitution invariably follows any attempt to make the ring secondary to a theatrical engagement.

"Fitzsimmons' popularity with the masses when he was matched for his championship bout with Corbett was not due, as is often said, to the fact that he was at the longer price in the betting and that the public preferred him on that account; it was due to the fact that Corbett made himself unpopular at the time by refusing to fight and yet endeavoring to retain the championship as a means of advertisement.

"As every one knows, he was fairly forced into his bout with Fitzsimmons. Once Fitz got the title, however, he adopted exactly the same tactics, and tried to hold the championship without giving any one else a chance at it.

RETRIBUTION CAME.

"Some way or other, retribution has followed every champion who has tried to fourflush in this manner. Once a champion is made and is given an opportunity to amass a fortune he should remember that the support of the sporting men alone gave him his chance, and that he owes them something. When he has failed to remember this, as has been the case with most champions, disaster has followed almost immediately.

"Corbett tried to hold the championship as a means of advertising his stage career, only to be forced into a match with Fitz and be defeated. Fitzsimmons tried the same game and met defeat. Terry McGovern fought as well as appearing on the stage, but a good many of his contests were with men who had no class and who were merely matched with him to boost his show. He also met disaster. Now Jeffries has tried to adopt the get-rich-quick method and has been humiliated deeply.

"Unpopularity has followed every such line of action, and Jeffries has evidently felt more than a touch of it, to judge from the haste with which he has changed his attitude on the fight question, as intimated in the dispatch. A bout with Corbett may follow, after all."

Jimmy Britt, the lightweight, of the Pacific Coast, who trimmed Frank Erne recently, has signed articles to box Gus Gardner of Philadelphia. The two have been matched to meet in a 20-round bout before the San Francisco A. C., at San Francisco, on March 12. Dave Sullivan of Boston wants to meet the winner. The latter says that when Jimmy Britt stops over at Chicago on his way East he will not want in the way of opponents. Already four clever lightweights hailing from the Windy City are prepared to give the crack Californian battle. The one likely to get the first chance is Martin Duffy, and the American A. C., of Chicago, is ready to donate a purse for a six-round "go."

Tim Hegarty of Australia, since his return to that country from San Francisco, has been issuing challenges to all his brother lightweights. Mautie Andrews and the erratic Hegarty, after much newspaper discussion, have been matched to box 20 rounds before a Sydney club.

Prior to Philadelphia Jack O'Brien's recent defeat of Al Weining at Fort Erie, Canada, "Kid" Carter said: "If any one tells you that Al Weining can't fight, refer him to me. I will carry around a few mementoes of his late contest with me for some time to come. I have nothing against Jack O'Brien; in fact, I like him, except that under no consideration will he give me a contest in the ring unless I scale 158 pounds at 3 o'clock." "Kid" Carter seems to have a high opinion of Tom Ryan's fistic prowess, and speaking of the latter's victory over him, said: "I thought I was in Chicago. I never knew my wife was in Fort Erie, or that I had been boxing. It was the funniest thing that ever happened. I was not hurt, but I could not remember anything. Yes, sir, any man who whips Tommy Ryan is entitled to everything that comes his way."

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CROKER SECURES JOCKEY "SKEETS"

Whitney Has First Call on Him.

Sporting News of the World That Is Both Fresh and Interesting.

Richard Croker has secured second call on J. H. ("Skeets) Martin for the season of 1903 in England. W. C. Whitney has first call on the Californian. The Croker string in England will not be a large one, but very select. John Huggins will train about eight horses for the Master of Wantage, who has purchased this season two of the most highly-tried 2-year-olds in the "tight little isle," with a view to landing some of the "classics." Mr. Croker also purchased a good horse in France, winner of two races in one day, and he will be prepared for the Ascot Gold Cup.

Although eight British manufacturers had expressed their intention of entering machines in the elimination test for the third car to represent Great Britain in the international automobile cup, not a single one of them has come forward with the necessary deposit of $2,500 and consequently Great Britain will be represented by three Napier machines.

The course for the race must be decided not later than February 1, and from the English papers it would seem that the contest would have to go to France and be completed concurrently with the Paris-Madrid race. English operators are trying to find a course in Ireland, but the best one is only 100 kilometres, 62 miles, in length, whereas the conditions require each stage to be not less than 100 miles. It is said that if the Frenchmen insist on the rules being followed to the letter, the English club will ask for the race to be held over a course in Ireland, which offers no technical objections, but which would mean some rough riding for the machines.

C. S. Titus, the sculler who went to England for the "Diamond Sculls" some two years since, has sued the New York Union Boat Club for $10,000 damages. At a recent meeting of that organization Titus was expelled, and now he claims the sum named.

RACING VERNACULAR

Some of the Expressions Used on the Race Track.

To the uninitiated, listening to the vernacular used at the race track or the pool room any day before, during and after a race, the terms in vogue should prove of great interest. Take your mind off the exciting scene and turn it towards the grand stand. From start to finish of the race you will hear a running fire of excited comment, which, though not couched in the best of English, is decidedly forceful and expressive.

Should one horse get off well in front of his field and take the lead by several lengths, the cry goes up: "Why, there's nothing to it." "He'll win by a block." "He'll come home on the bit." "Ain't it a shame to take the money?" "He'll tin-can home," etc.

Then there are corresponding phrases for all the incidents of the race, from the time the horses leave the paddock until the field returns. Should a horse be interfered with it is said to be in a pocket. If a jockey is thought not to be trying to win he is called a "strong-armed guy," and "why don't he use rubber reins?" and there are various other cries of "He's pulling his head off," "nothing doing," "he's a lobster," "he's a stiff," "he's a dead one," "won by a whisker," "won by an eyelash," "just mizzled in," "won in a walk," "won running away," are ways of describing the victory of a horse over his field.

The old term used in speaking of third position in a race was "to show." This has been variously added to by such terms as "to peep," "to look in," "to butt," "on the limb," "in the pictures."

Thomas Tandy, the colored groom of the great race mare Imp, used the slogan when the black mare was running in a race. Tandy would take a position in the infield, and in a voice which could be heard all over the race course he would yell, "Don't wake her up," "let her sleep," varied when she swung into the stretch looking a winner by "They never did wake her up."

GOOD THINGS.

In the betting ring there is no end to the phrases that have been coined, such as "good things," "know something," "cinch," "hunch," "moral," "pipe," "tout," "wise money," "piker," "educated money," "plunger," "mark," "sucker," "railbird," "marker," "get down," "going down the line," "welcher," "wise guy," "father's horse," "lobster," "pay a little attention to me," "cinch player," "he blew a bet," "just bet a couple of centuries," "think he'll cop," etc.

The bookmakers are referred to by cynical bettors as "undertakers" and "embalmers" when it is thought they are aware of "dead ones," or horses that are supposed not be trying in a race, and their agents who get the prices for them around the ring as "outside men."

The expression "23," for get away, came from the New Orleans track, and, in fact, nearly all the peculiar phrases originate on the Southern and Western tracks. To the regular racing man these phrases make up a large proportion of his vocabulary, and even the casual racegoer soon appropriates them, and thus they gradually but surely become an eradicable part of English as it is spoken among the sporting fraternity.

Clever Johnny Kelly.

Johnny Kelly, the clever little fighter who knocked out George Henning of Washington last Saturday before the Chicago Athletic Association, has been matched to meet Mike Munger before the America Athletic Club at its next show, January 5. Munger is regarded as a good man, and ought to give Kelly a hard fight, as he fought draws with Morris Raunch and Clarence Forbes.

At this same show Benny Yanger will probably meet Tim Callahan of Philadelphia, at 128 pounds. Yanger met Callahan in the Quaker City some time ago and fought him a draw. In the first three rounds the Eastern lad put it all over Yanger, but the Chicago champion finished strong and had Callahan going when the gong sounded the end of the six rounds. Both boys are anxious to settle the dispute which has arisen over the bout before the Penn Art Club.

Kelly, by the clever manner in which he put Henning asleep in the second round, has brought himself before the attention of some of the leaders in the fistic game, who see in him possibilities of a comer. The Washington boy was regarded as fully his equal, but Kelly disposed of him with a single punch, a straight right lead just inside Henning's left, hooked for a punch at the body. Henning went down on his back, his head striking the floor with a bang, and he was counted out. He fell in almost exactly the same place, in exactly the same way and from exactly the same punch that Kelly used to knock Morris Rauch out two weeks before.

In the three years he has been fighting Kelly has met 31 men, has had one draw, twice the decision went against him, four times he has been awarded the decision at the end of six rounds, and 24 times he has won by a clean knockout. Fourteen of these men he has put away in two rounds or less.

JOCKEY RANSCH GREAT FAVORITE

Considered One of the Best Riders on the Track.

If a jockey's ability is to be gauged by success, then Jerry Ransch, a little California boy, is the greatest rider in the world, says the New York World. He not only holds the laurel wreath for the greatest number of winning mounts this year for riding 250 horses to victory, but this record excels all achievements of jockeys in America and Europe since the racing of horses became a pastime on the turf, nearly 150 years ago.

Ransch has been riding thoroughbreds nearly three years. He went East with Walter Jennings, the horseman, two years ago. At that time trainers did not believe he was worth worrying and plotting about, and consequently his mounts were few and far between. One of his exhibitions of horsemanship, in fact, caused a wail of despair from the backers of his horse, and brought forth a suggestion from the turf authorities that he take a rest until he became more proficient.

But Jerry believed in his ability, if nobody else did, and he stuck tenaciously to his calling. He went back to California, and by strict attention to business and close observation learned many new tricks of his trade.

Burns & Waterhouse, the California millionaire horsemen, in search of a lightweight rider, secured Ransch. They did not have to pay much to secure him, as his ability was hidden away in his hands and brain and had not yet seen the light.

Each day he improved. His necessary qualifications to become a great rider—seat, hands and judgment of pace—came along gradually and were scarcely perceptible until one day he rode a superior finish, and lo! a new star was shining brilliantly in the racing firmament.

That was last winter in San Francisco. This season he steadily won race after race. All horses, whether they were "sprinters" or "raters," yielded up their speed to his magic touch. He rode for strangers and won more races with outside mounts than he did with his stable horses. His riding was confined mostly to the West. When the meeting at Los Angeles opened he "fattened his average" considerably by winning three and four races a day.

Ransch now heads the list of riders at the San Francisco meetings. He is sixteen years old, short, stockily built, and can ride at 100 pounds. He expects to ride in the East next season.

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BRIEF REVIEW OF FOOTBALL YEAR

Interesting Facts About the Big Elevens of the Country.

To be a member of the so-called "Big Four" leaders in football has been made to seem a desirable distinction, writes Walter Camp in Collier's Weekly. If this be so, then West Point has surely earned her right this year. Yale went to the top, losing no games. West Point lost only to Harvard. Princeton and Harvard lost to Yale, while West Point tied Yale.

As the phrase has it, "After that the deluge!" for throwing out of the reckoning contests with these four, Pennsylvania, winning her game with Cornell, lost to Brown, Annapolis and Carlisle, while Brown lost to Dartmouth and Lafayette. Carlisle lost to Bucknell and Virginia, Annapolis lost to Georgetown, Dickinson, Penn, State, Bucknell and Columbia. Dartmouth in her turn was beaten by Amhurst, and Amhurst was beaten by Syracuse, and Syracuse tied with Columbia. There is a pretty jumble and offers every one a chance to struggle with a worse than Chinese puzzle.

TEAMS' POSSIBILITIES.

The only thing to do is to tell the tale as it stands. It is fair, however, to state that, as in the case of Pennsylvania, the possibility of teams whose difficulties were great suddenly springing forth with really capital work either on defense or attack was never made more manifest than in the season of 1902. Dartmouth's attack against Harvard late in the season, Pennsylvania's rejuvenation in the second half of the Cornell game, Carlisle's victory at Ithaca, Cornell's recovery from the Princeton contest, Columbia's effort against Syracuse, LaFayette's struggle with Brown, Lehigh's success against Lafayette, Amherst's defeat of Dartmouth, and finally the Navy's plucky brace toward the end of the first half against the Army, all these may be adduced to prove the delightful fascination of following the contests on the gridiron.

There is hardly a team among those who have ever pushed their way to the front whose record this season has not in it something well worth comment.

Yale's season was a particularly interesting one to the student of football affairs, for it illustrated very well the theory of laying down a policy and following it out to the letter. Certain methods of play were adapted to what appeared to be the requirements of the team, and the attack was based upon these. Defensive play was taught steadily, and the members of the team were shifted even up to what seemed like a very late date. With four freshmen on the team such shifting was almost inevitable.

YALE'S FINE OFFENSE.

Yale played through her October games, running up satisfactory scores in the majority of instances, and having by the first of Noyember acquired a powerful but rather crude style of attack and a fair defense. Then began the most serious part of her work, namely, perfecting the team play and improving the precision of the attack. At West Point all was ragged, but still there was the evidence of power. The following week the attack was running better, and Bucknell, who had beaten the Carlisle Indians 18 to 0, and had played Pennsylvania 5 to 6, was literally smothered under it, being defeated 36 to 5. Then followed the Princeton game, which was won by 12 to 5, although in order to do it, it became necessary to keep DeWitt, Princeton's drop kicker, absolutely out of Yale territory. In this game the power of both attack and defense was quite manifest, but the men themselves and the quarterback failed to realize to the full the possibilities of varying the direction of the attack. In the following week this was corrected and Yale entered the Harvard game decidedly at her best point of the season. Thus timed to the hour, her plays showed the greatest precision of the season, and before the end of the contest her team had scored 23 points to Harvard's 0, having completed the season without a defeat.

EXCITING TIME WITH CORBETT

Dominick McCaffrey, who now runs a school of physical culture in Philadelphia, and was looked upon as a likely world's champion two decades since, recently in the Philadelphia Item brought to mind an episode which came near being a tragedy and altering pugilistic history:

When Corbett had about finished his training for the fight with Sullivan he went to New York to give an exhibition in Madison Square Garden. He and McCaffrey had had a little fistic affair in a South Brooklyn rink at one time, and there was bad feeling between them. McCaffrey, an athletic instructor, at the Manhattan Athletic Club, challenged Corbett to meet him before that club upon his return from New Orleans, whether he whipped Sullivan or not, for a paltry $2,500. Corbett was in Madison Square Garden supervising the erection of the ring and handball court preparatory to the evening exhibition, when McCaffery, a representative of the Manhattan Athletic Club, and one other man, entered the Garden. McCaffrey suggested that in order to talk over his challenge they should go to some quiet place.

The party went to Manager Sherwood's office, under the steps on the Madison Square side of the building. This office was about a 10x12 affair. Billy Brady and two newspaper men, one of whom was the late "P. Jay" Donahue, joined the party. The door was closed and discussion of the proposed match began. Corbett was on edge and intensely nervous. McCaffrey was inclined to bulldoze the Californian. Corbett protested that McCaffrey had taken an unfair advantage of him in seeking the fight, when he was on the eve of a meeting with Sullivan, in which so much was involved. He said that he had beaten McCaffrey in the South Brooklyn rink, and could do it easily again, but whether he was defeated or won from Sullivan, he would never consent to a meeting for such a small sum as McCaffrey suggested.

McCaffrey held in his hand a newspaper, with which he tapped Corbett on the shoulder.

"Don't you, you cur, touch me even with a newspaper," Corbett said, springing to his feet, and knocking over his chair. "You trapped me in here, you and your friends, to do me. You would like to see me beaten by this man Sullivan, but you won't. You have a lot of stock brokers back of you, and you think that you are a fighter because they tell you you are. I'll lick you right now, and then I'll go to New Orleans and prove that I am the champion of the world."

McCaffrey had gotten on his feet, and stood facing Corbett. The one man whose name has been unmentioned here, had jammed his hand into his hip pocket, and it was evident that he was armed. A move by either of the fighters meant gun play in that small space. Miniature Billy Brady grabbed hold of Corbett and pulled him into his chair, where he sat trembling with anger like a leaf. An attempt was made to resume the argument, but Brady put a stop to it, by calling one of Corbett's trainers and ordering him to take him away. Corbett went reluctantly.

STRONG DEFENSE OF MASS PLAYS

In the face of attacks made by several college presidents against the present system of mass plays in football games, Dr. Carl Williams, head coach of the University of Pennsylvania eleven, has come out as a strong advocate of this style of play. Dr. Williams declares that a change in the rules will only work harm to the game.

"It would be a serious mistake to eliminate concerted attack," says Dr. Williams. "To do so would be to deprive the game of its distinctive character and to seriously impair, if not ruin it. The outcry about brutality is much exaggerated. The present regulations reduce the chance of slugging or roughing to a minimum. The brutality is in the man, not in the rules. If a player wants to be brutal he will be so in any style of attack.

"The American game would soon degenerate into something similar to the English game if the rules should be changed. English football is only a preparatory game, not calling for the strategic skill the Americans have gradually developed. In the American game weight and strength are not the sole requisites. Never before were speed, agility and power of quick thought so essential to the successful player. Often a lighter player is preferred to a heavier one, because he is less clumsy, keeps his feet better and is quicker to profit by openings in the opposing defense."

Dr. Williams does not believe that this agitation will result in any change in the rules. There has been no marked increase in fatalities, he says, and he thinks he is warranted in saying that the only players who get seriously hurt are members of smaller college elevens, who have not received the proper training, and hence are not able to stand the severities of the game.

It is absurd, in his opinion, to assume that the authorities of the various universities could successfully revise the rules, for they are men who know little about football and what they say is mostly hearsay. He says that few instructors have any objection to the game as it is played today.

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