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KID M'COY IS BEATEN

Goes Down Before Jack McCormack at Chicago.

ONLY LASTED ONE ROUND

The Kid Went Down Like a Dead Man From a Blow on the Jaw—Was Overconfident.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Jack McCormack, of Philadelphia, knocked out Kid McCoy in about one minute tonight. The bout was to have been for six rounds and it was generally thought McCormack stood no show at all. The fight was so short and so quickly over that there was almost nothing to it but a punch that put McCoy asleep. The fight was under strict Queensbury rules, hitting with one arm free permitted.

When the gong sounded McCormack started in to rush things relying on his greater weight and superior strength to offset McCoy's science. He received a straight left in the mouth the first time he tried it, and a second later a savage left hook on the side of the head hit him a second time. Then he rushed twice more, carrying McCoy to the ropes both times. The first time he hit McCoy over the kidneys with his right. The second time, as they came from the ropes still clinched, McCoy freed his left and sent a hook to McCormack's cheek, dropping him to the floor. McCormack lay quiet, making a pretense of claiming foul, although none had been committed.

McCormack rose on the order of Referee Hogan with a sheepish grin on his face. The knockdown had not injured him in the slightest.

The men squared off once more and then came the end, like lightning McCoy was moving cautiously around McCormack, both hands low down, neither being as high as the belt. McCormack suddenly let fly his right and it landed full on the jaw. McCoy went down like a dead man, flat on

his back, the legs and arms outstretched. Pandemonium broke loose in the hall and there were wild calls for McCormack, shrieks of "get up Kid, get up."

At the word "ten" he raised his head slightly and the referee paused an instant before he shouted "out," but McCoy was still out of it. Thirty seconds would not have brought him into condition to fight again.

The general opinion seemed to be that McCoy lost the fight through excess of confidence.

SOPLY SMITH DEFEATED.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Joe Bernstein, of New York, won almost as he pleased from Solly Smith, of California, in their fight at Broadway Athletic Club tonight, and he brought him down to unconsciousness in the thirteenth round.

MUCH PRIVATION AMONG THE STORM SUFFERERS.

Large Number of People in San Juan Towns Are Hungry—Over Two Thousand Have Perished.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—A despatch to the Herald from San Juan, Porto Rico, says: Visits to the most distressed districts of the island prove that the former reports of terrible conditions have not been in the least exaggerated.

People in the towns are huddled together anywhere for shelter. In the country the people are sleeping in the open air. The food supplies have been totally destroyed. Only the well to do can afford to buy provisions.

Unless succor comes in a few days the people will starve. The supplies from San Juan have not arrived at the towns but are expected. The depots in many towns are already surrounded by a large number of hungry people.

The mayors of the towns have received no authority to dispense money but most of them are contributing generously out of their own pockets to supply the most urgent needs.

As far as Caguas and Cayey, the sanitary conditions are not threatened but reports from the towns further south state that their conditions are dangerous. The peril lies in the herding of the inhabitants in the towns.

Several of the soldiers were wounded during the recent hurricane, but it is learned that there were no deaths among them. The best posted persons agree that it will be necessary to provide work for the inhabitants and seeds for the next planting.

An official report from Guaymas says that 265 houses were destroyed, 175 seriously injured and 294 damaged by the storm.

In the district surrounding Mayaguez, scores of women, old men and children are homeless and begging shelter and food. The schooner Conception loaded with 200 Porto Ricans going as emigrants to Samana, went adrift today. All jumped overboard and several were drowned.

A Mayaguez paper reminds the public that in the year 1841, the city was destroyed by fire. Two days the governor was personally distributing \$50,000 among those who most needed it. In Arroyo 90 per cent of the houses were demolished by the hurricane, at the port nothing remains.

Many prominent persons in Utuado have signed an appeal to the public asking food and work for the inhabitants. Two thousand persons have perished in this whole district.

CHINESE REFUSED LANDING.

SEATTLE, Aug. 18.—United States District Judge Hanford today denied the application of the Chinese crew of the transport Victoria for a writ of habeas corpus. In view of the fact that the crew is not permitted to land here on account of the exclusion law, the court concludes that it would be putting the government to unnecessary expense to transport them to Hongkong.

The agents of the vessel furnished a bonds pledging that they would discharge the crew at Manila, and send them to Hongkong where they shipped.

THE SHAMROCK ARRIVES.

Made Trip in Much Less Time Than Was Anticipated—Was Towed Part Way.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Sir Thomas Linton's yacht Shamrock, challenger for America's cup, reached this port today accompanied by her tender steam yacht Erin. The Shamrock sailed from Fairlie-on-the-Clyde on August 3, and made the trans-Atlantic voyage in much quicker time than was anticipated. The Erin towed the Shamrock about 2,000 miles, and the latter sailed something more than 1200 miles.

TROOPS AT SEATTLE.

SEATTLE, Aug. 18.—Troops C, E and F, Third cavalry, arrived this afternoon and joined the other five troops of the regiment at Camp Robinson.

THE LETTER WAS FORGED

Esterhazy Confirms Schneider Denial in the Figaro.

DEATH OF COLONEL LOHE

Newspapers Hold Dreyfusites Responsible—Picquart's Testimony Was Favorable to Dreyfus.

PARIS, Aug. 18.—The Figaro today publishes a communication from Comte Paul Esterhazy, Austrian charge d'affaires at Paris, confirming the Schneider denial printed in the Figaro yesterday.

The Paris Figaro yesterday published the following telegram from Em: "The letter of November 30, 1897, attributed to me and reproduced in the Figaro of August 15, 1899, is a forgery."

"SCHNEIDER." The reference was to the letter alleged to have been written by the Austrian military attaché at Berlin, declaring Dreyfus had relations with Germany. It was mentioned in the testimony of Generals Mercier and Rogot.

COLONEL PIQUART'S TESTIMONY.

Did Much to Remove Unfavorable Impressions of Rogot's Charges.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—The Rennes correspondent of the Tribune, discussing yesterday's proceedings in the Dreyfus court martial called: Colonel Picquart's clear, penetrating voice, carrying with it an honest ring, absolutely convincing to all English speaking spectators in the court room, apparently did much to remove the unfavorable impressions retained by the court after Rogot's wholesale affirmation of Dreyfus guilt and Esterhazy's innocence. Colonel Picquart, like Rogot, as former under secretary of the third bureau of the general staff, once had Captain Dreyfus under his orders and supervision and the following points were established by Colonel Picquart's evidence, which explained the military technicalities of the staff mechanism:

First, that, contrary to the testimony of Generals Mercier, Cavagnac and Rogot, Captain Dreyfus could not have had access to information about the modifications of plans for assembling the "troupe de couverture," (troops in case of mobilization), to be thrown toward the frontier so as to cover the actual mobilization, which is one of the subjects enumerated in the bordereau and;

Second, that, also contrary to the evidence of Generals Mercier, Cavagnac and Rogot, Captain Dreyfus was by no means the only officer, civil or military employe, who could have obtained the information indicated by other documents mentioned in the bordereau. Colonel Picquart showed, for instance, that the alleged mysterious firing manual was not a state secret, and that copies of it were given to any officer undergoing staff instruction who cared to ask for it.

Great astonishment was expressed at another portion of Colonel Picquart's testimony, which disclosed the fact that some of the most important plans and documents were entrusted to the sole care of a few civil clerks and enlisted men, and kept in a room at the war office, accessible to visitors, where Colonel Von Schwarzkoppen and other foreign military attaches were received once a week.

These facts, developed with admirable clearness in Colonel Picquart's testimony, made a marked impression on the court which is, nevertheless, still under the spell of the point blank, swash-buckler affirmations of the galaxy of generals.

All the points in favor of the defense so far adduced by the testimony of M. Bertulus and Colonel Picquart are purely presumptive.

The present phase of the case, so far as can be ascertained by closely scrutinizing the countenances of the members of the court martial and by observing the questions put to witnesses, is that evidence of a more sledge hammer and crushing character than has yet been presented, will be requested, in order to convince the court of Captain Dreyfus' innocence. Much is expected from the continuation of Colonel Picquart's testimony.

ALL QUIET IN SANTO DOMINGO.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—A despatch to the Herald from Santo Domingo, says: President Figueroa expressed confidence in the ability of the government to maintain order.

In regard to Wednesday's demon-

BUSY ON ARMY AFFAIRS

Root Engaged in Selecting Officers for New Regiments.

TROOPS WILL BE HURRIED

Their Transportation to Philippines Will Be Rushed—Six Hundred Persons Perish in a Storm

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Secretary Root was busily engaged the greater part of today in selecting officers to fill the new regiments, going over the lists of names that has been submitted with recommendations for appointments, and considering their efficiency records during the Spanish war.

The secretary is giving the matter of selections special attention, and the list is prepared in his private office. After the selections are made by the secretary, they will be sent to the president for his approval. Preparations continue actively in the matter of arranging for a speedy transportation of the troops to the Philippines.

TOWN OF MIAMI DESTROYED. Loss of Life is Estimated at Six Hundred.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Aug. 18.—According to a Miami despatch to the Times Union and Citizen, Captain Dillon of the steamer Coca, states that the town of Red Bay, on the island of Andros, 20 miles southwest of Nassau was swept away in a recent tropical hurricane and about 200 lives lost. An eye witness of the storm estimated that the loss of life on the island was fully 500.

Scattered through the wreck of houses at Red Bay, after the storm subsided, he said, were hundreds of corpses of persons of all ages and classes.

Captain Dillon said the wind blew at the rate of 105 miles an hour.

JIM FRANEY'S DEATH.

Caused by Severe Punishment He Received From Frank McConnell.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The autopsy on the remains of Jim Franey, the pugilist, who died after having been knocked out by Frank McConnell on Wednesday night, showed that his vital organs were diseased; that he was in no condition to enter a ring and principally that he had been pummeled and beaten to death by Frank McConnell, who was arrested on a charge of manslaughter and is now out on bail. A similar charge has also been placed against J. J. Croome and J. D. Gibbs, promoters of the fight, Hiram Cook, the referee and the seconds of both men engaged in the contest. All have given bonds and are now at liberty.

Dr. I. L. Zabala, the city's autopsy physician, explains the cause of the pugilist's death as follows:

"I found severe contusions on Franey's face, shoulders and upper arms. There was a hemorrhage of the brain on the left side and the organ itself was in an anæmic condition. The man must have received a terrible punishment and death was nothing more than the result of the blows which were rained on his face and head. The impact of the head on the floor had nothing to do with it. He was in a dying condition before he fell."

"Frandey should never have entered the ring. An examination of his lungs showed pleuritic adhesions and his system was otherwise broken down. He was fit for practical purposes in life, but certainly not for unnatural exercise."

SUPPLIES DISPATCHED FOR THE STORM SUFFERERS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Relief for the Porto Ricans left destitute by the hurricane was despatched from New York on the steamer Evelyn, which sailed for Ponce today. The supplies consisted largely of clothing and medicines.

SOLDIERS OFF FOR MANILA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 18.—The City of Sydney, bound for Manila, sailed tonight with 700 men for Manila.

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