

SHARKEY WAS ALL BUT KNOCKED OUT

A Disastrous Rush Against Danny Needham's Elbow.

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THE BETTING ON THE EVENT.

Jim Corbett Has Something to Say About the London National Athletic Club.

Colonel Sellers, in reality, with his panacea for such ailments as sore eyes, could have made a fair start on the way to his "millions in it" had he stood alongside the ticket-box yesterday during the sale of admissions to the Corbett-Sharkey contest.

"I want four tickets," said a well-dressed, bright-eyed young man, proffering his \$20 piece. "I want them in the first row of the boxes, near the platform."

"Can't give them to you there, sir," answered Barney, the ticket-seller; "they're all bought up. I've got others just as good on the raised floor, just a few feet away."

"No; I want 'em near because I'm very near-sighted. I'm expecting to invite some friends to see the fight and they've all got sore eyes. Fix me out, old boy, and I'll make it right with you."

Well, Barney has had scores of such offers. In each case sore eyes, near-sightedness, a cripple or some such excuse was given for preference in the way of a choice seat.

As a matter of fact, the seats are selling like hot cakes.

Yesterday Johnny Farley waited for hours at Jim Groom's store to nail him down on a business proposition. It is not often Farley will put himself out to do a thing of that sort, but in this case it was different.

Jim Flood, away off in his beautiful country home, wanted two private boxes for the fight, and he must have them.

He used his friend Johnny to that effect and Johnny secured them at last. It was not without a battle, however, for the swell clubs of the City have been disputing with each other to possess themselves of all the choice locations.

While the battle is not to take place until the 24th, and the referee is not to be selected until a couple of days before that, the subject is being canvassed.

Yesterday Danny Lynch expressed a willingness to accept Hiram Cook, the old-time referee of the defunct California Athletic Club. He is the man who decided the Corbett-Jackson mill a draw some years ago and he is not in good odor with the Corbett faction. Cook, however, has gained the confidence of the public by his exceptionally square rulings during the many years he has officiated as a referee, and the suggestion that he might be selected this time has been grasped with eagerness by the sporting men. They believe that with him they will at least have a "run for their money."

Jim Corbett is still maintaining his reputation as a handball player. It is a pleasant pastime and affords the very kind of exercise the champion most needs to limber him up.

Fred Butts, one of the club's best players, tried his skill yesterday against Jim's with disastrous results. Corbett played no "dirty ball," as he called it, but gave his opponent every advantage.

"Butts wasn't in it," the big fellow said after the contest. "I beat him by a score of 21 to 2. Then I took George Green, and I won with a score of 21 to 17."

"I overplayed myself in the next game, when I went against them left-handed. They did me up brown, with a score of 21 to my 4. But left-hand plays are the hardest thing on earth to go against. You might as well tie one hand behind your back and try to box with a fellow. It's even worse than that, for you forget every little while that only the left hand goes and you hit the ball with your right. Then the play's off, because it's a foul."

The final game with Corbett against Butts and Green resulted in a victory for the pair by a score of 21 to 14.

Continuing his course of training, Corbett punched the bag for an hour, and then varied the monotony by punching George Green, his pugilistic trainer.

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Tom Sharkey, over in Oakland, spends most of his mornings and afternoons in the Acme Club, where Danny Needham looks after him. The latter's hand is comparatively well again, and they use the gloves lightly. It seems no effort at all for Danny to get out of harm's way, which fact strengthens Corbett's chances of avoiding the rushes of the sailor lad.

Late yesterday afternoon Sharkey met with a rather serious mishap. He was sparring with Danny Needham, and they were about to close the day's exercise.

Sharkey made one of his wild rushes and ran up against Needham's left elbow. The blow was severe enough to put the sailor asleep had it brought up on the point of his chin, but it landed on his forehead just above the eye. Sharkey fell to the floor and for a moment it looked as if he had been completely knocked out. He bled most profusely and was unable to continue the exercise.

He did not appear last night at the club. It is not believed that this mishap will interfere with the coming contest, although it certainly will affect the betting.

Sharkey's regular routine of training will be carried out to-morrow.

The hours between 6 and 8 in the morning are mainly devoted to wind-giving runs over the hills, Sharkey easily outstripping Needham and the few friends who care to accompany him on these trips.

The betting of the contest began in earnest last night in Harry Corbett's pool-rooms. During the earlier part of the day one of the Baldwin Hotel patrons, a man well known as Williams, took up the Sharkey end of it. He proposed to bet any part of \$1000 at odds of 3 to 4 that the sailor would not be stopped in four rounds.

Two of Corbett's friends poured on \$75 each of this kind of betting, "Big" Jack, the billiardist, handing the Williams money. Subsequently Williams and Jack decided that all further bets should be made at the same odds, but that in the event of the police interfering the decision must be given the sailor.

Explaining this Jack says that in the event of Corbett seeing it is impossible for him to stop Sharkey he will have his friends step in and get the police to interfere.

The Corbett contingent scout this idea and are willing to wager even money the police will not interrupt the meeting, and should such an event occur they are willing to call the bets a draw.

The general run of bets made during the afternoon were about three against two in favor of Sharkey remaining the four rounds.

Last evening J. J. Groom, secretary of the National Club, sent Governor Budd an invitation on behalf of the club to attend the contest. The idea expressed is that the chief executive of the State should see that science and not brutality rules in pugilistic affairs as the club intends conducting them. Back of this is the desire of the club to get the Governor's indorsement to an act which it is proposed to have passed at the next Legislature legalizing pugilistic contests.

The betting last night at Harry Corbett's poolrooms on the Corbett-Sharkey fight was 2 to 1 that Corbett would not stop the sailor lad. Some \$2200 in all went in the box at those odds.

The odds offered on the Dixon and Flaherty twenty-round go in Boston last night were \$10 on Dixon to \$3 on Flaherty. There was considerable money wagered and the affair resulted in a draw.

CORBETT AND SLAVIN.

The Champion Will Fight Any Man Who Has Got Coin to Bet.

It was reported yesterday that Corbett's manager, W. A. Brady, had written from London, England, that the National Club of London would not give any kind of a consideration for a contest between Corbett and Fitzsimmons and, in fact, the club had no particular desire to match Corbett against any man.

When Corbett was asked what information of importance was contained in Brady's letter he laughingly replied that he had to receive the letter first before he could vouchsafe a reply.

"The last letter I received from Brady," answered Corbett, "contained very little news concerning the National Club of London, England; in fact, I was made aware some months ago that the National Club had a grievance against me because I would not apologize for some imaginary wrong statements I had been accused of making. If I am right in stating any particular thing I know to be a fact, why should I apologize to the National Club or any other club for that matter?"

"Possibly the club owes me an apology and it is angry because I don't get near enough so that it could excuse itself verbally without the necessity of being heard by the sporting people at large."

"There are other clubs in London equally as prominent as the National and I can say that if Fitzsimmons or Jackson will show the least desire to enter the ring with me a purse will be offered which in value will be equal, if not greater, to that which the National Club would give for a match between champions."

"Yes, I see that Slavin will meet Maher on Thursday evening in New York. I am told that if Paddy wins he will leave for the West immediately to have a 'go' with me. Well, everybody wants a 'go' with Jim Corbett, and everybody with sense who is not a pugilist knows that that means cheap advertising for the challenger."

"I have stated repeatedly that I am looking for good, hard coin, and you can say that I am in the business to fight any man living who will put up enough money on the side to make the object one of consideration."

"First come, first served" is my motto. "I shall certainly give Fitzsimmons and Jackson the preference, but if the New Zealander and the Australian fail to come to time with the long green then Slavin and the others will be given an audience—that is, if they can show the color of gold."

FRACTURED HIS SKULL.

Probable Fatal Accident to Captain Farrell of the Schooner W. B. Phillips.

An accident that will probably result fatally happened to Captain Farrell of the schooner W. B. Phillips yesterday afternoon.

The schooner is in the Merchants' dry-dock, foot of Main street, and the captain was assisting the mate to do some work. He overbalanced himself, and fell a distance of twenty feet, striking on his face. He was driven to the Receiving Hospital in the patrol wagon. He was unconscious, and Drs. Weil and Rinne found that his skull was badly fractured, and that he could not recover.

Captain Farrell is a widower, and his two children live with his sister in Oakland.

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At this time there are in the jurisdiction seventy-three groves, scattered over California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, with a membership of about 4000. Five circles of the women's annex or branch of the order also exist, with a membership aggregating nearly 250.

The grand officers of the order are:

O. H. Hoag of No. 47, noble grand arch; J. A. Devoto of No. 88, deputy grand arch; J. J. Mollison of No. 15, grand secretary; L. Chassagne of No. 10, grand treasurer; J. H. L. Gerckens of No. 28, past noble grand arch; Henry Lange of No. 41, grand marshal; J. M. Brand of No. 92, grand guardian; D. P. Brown of No. 16, grand sentinel; P. Rohrbacher of No. 9, E. L. Wagner of No. 10, J. C. Bernstein of No. 17, S. R. S. G. U. S.; P. Cavagnaro of No. 37, J. J. Donnelly of No. 18, George A. Abel of No. 16, alternate; Jacob Nickels of No. 4, H. B. Mehrmann of No. 24, Henry A. Chase of No. 17, trustees.

For three days the grand body will be in session, and in that time it is expected that much work will be done, for the delegates have an eye to business.

At the morning session there were present ninety representatives, fifteen grand officers and eight past noble grand arches. The reports of Noble Grand Arch O. H. Hoag, Grand Secretary J. J. Mollison and Grand Treasurer L. Chassagne were read and referred to the committee on distribution, which was appointed as follows: E. L. Wagner, past noble grand arch, L. Malpiede of No. 17 and Frank Lewis of No. 82.

In his report the noble grand arch stated that at the beginning of his term he had found a weak treasury and a large indebtedness. "The initiate list," he said, "shows an increase, but the loss by suspension has been necessarily large, owing to the financial panic which has swept the jurisdiction."

"As a rule peace and harmony exist throughout the jurisdiction. A few rulings and decisions have been asked upon questions of minor importance. No appeals have been taken to the Grand Grove or suits commenced in the civil courts for insubordination or otherwise. The peaceful submission to the constitution and by-laws has made the term a reign of unity, peace and concord."

A tribute was paid to the memory of ex-Grand Secretary J. H. Knarston, who was connected with the order for many years.

"We have lost one of our most zealous, devoted and efficient members," he declared, "and the noble grand arch a valuable assistant."

The report also developed that, since the report of the grand secretary had been made fifty members have been initiated in Washington, Frederick, Seiz, Dante, Ottawa, Guerneville and Galileo groves.

The report further made known that one new grove was instituted January 16, 1896, Mendocino Grove No. 105, at Fort Bragg, which works in the Italian language.

The number of dispensations granted was given at 36, appointments 4, number expelled 3, and consolidations 2.

The noble grand arch also made a pleasing reference to the Druids' Journal, which, he stated, under the faithful management of Messrs. Chase, Dunand and Mollison, has been a very valuable assistant.

The grand secretary's report showed that two groves surrendered their charters; that the net loss in membership has been 177; that there have been 401 initiations, 42 cards deposited, 28 reinstatements, making a total of 471; that the losses by withdrawal have been 22, by suspension 433, by death 39, by expulsion 17 and by suspension of charter 87, making a total of 648. The amount of cash on hand June 1, 1896, was given at \$1201.12.

The report further stated that in most of the colonies the order was in a prosperous condition, especially in the north island of New Zealand, where a grand lodge has been instituted, with the office located at Wanganui.

The report of the grand treasurer confirmed the grand secretary's financial statements and covered the ground somewhat further.

At the afternoon session the committee on credentials introduced and seated ten new delegates not present at the morning session.

The committee on distribution submitted a report recommending the various subjects mentioned in the reports of the grand officers to the regular committees.

Then the committee on the laws of subordinates submitted its report approving



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day, and it is presumed that a large attendance will participate in the festivities.

The committee having charge of the sports have collected over \$100, which will be distributed to the lucky winners as prizes. There are various games on the programme, the least of which will be worth competing for.

The popularity of the old boys, together with the perfectness of details for this outing, makes doubly certain that nothing will be left undone to give the greatest satisfaction to those who will visit Shell Mound to-day.

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The Builders' Exchange on New Montgomery street closed its doors yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, and will not again open until to-morrow morning. The cause of this temporary suspension is that the 500 members with their families and friends may meet in Sunset Park in the Santa Cruz Mountains and there enjoy themselves.

This being the first picnic given by the association, it was deemed patriotic that Bunker Hill day be selected for the occasion, which has been done.

The Builders' Exchange comprises all grades of men engaged in the building trade, as also more who supply building material. Its membership numbers more than 600 men.

The boat with the excursionists leaves Market-street ferry at 4:15 this morning.

THE WINGERTER ESTATE.

Text of the Last Will of the Capitalist.

Charles J. Wingert, the capitalist, who died a few days ago, left an estate of \$200,000, all of which he bequeathed in trust to his wife, Caroline Wingert.

After paying the expenses of its management, two-thirds of the income of the property is to be used for the support and maintenance of Mrs. Wingert and the balance in equal shares to the three children—Edward Wingert, Mrs. Melinda C. Medeau and Mrs. Minerva A. Marston. At Mrs. Wingert's death the entire property is to be divided into three equal shares. One share goes to Mrs. Meleau, one to Edward P. Wingert and one to be held in trust for Charles W. Marston, son of Mrs. Marston, until he is 21 years of age. The share will then be conveyed to Mrs. Marston in fee simple.

Wild horses have increased to such an extent in Queensland that the animals are being shot, with a view to reduce the numbers.

Loans on diamonds. Interest low. At Uncle Harris', 18 Grant avenue.

NEW TO-DAY—DRY GOODS.

SPECIAL SALE

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200 PIECES NOVELTY SILKS!

Brocaded Silks, Fancy Colors - - - - - 40C Yard Worth 75c.

Fancy Figured Gros de Londres - - - - - 50C Yard Reduced from 85c.

Fancy Figured Taffetas, Changeable effects - - - - - 60C Yard Regular Value \$1.

Printed Warp Taffetas, Large designs and black satin stripes, 75C Yard Former Price \$1.35.

Fancy Printed Warp Taffetas, Lyons manufacture - - \$1.00 Yard Worth \$1.75 and \$2.00.

EXTRA SPECIAL!

50 pieces BLACK FIGURED GROS-GRAIN SILK, full 22 inches wide, and extra heavy quality.

75C Yard Former Price \$1.25.

The attention of our patrons is directed to this sale.

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