On the Eve of Battle at Reno---Both Men Confident

Note and Comment

All eyes are strained towards Rend where the world's fight championship will be settled this afternoon. It is the milleast the promoters and principals make themselves rich on the result.

Toronto, like other centres, has refrained from betting on the result. Hkely owing to the odds which are making Jeffries a false favorite, as the shrewdes followers of the game assert that it is an even money proposition, or Johnson at worst should rule no longer than 10 to 9. Thus the Jeffries followers are loth to proffer 10 to 7, which the champion's sup-porters read about and look for in vain.

The last word from Reno is that both men are superbly confident. All admitthat Johnson has trained to perfection and it is generally conceded that Jeffries is himself again. The men will enter the ring around 5 o'clock and it is likely the gong will ring for the long journey of 45 rounds about 6. So it's good advice to tell you to take in the resorts where the fight is being called off or consult the bulletin boards after supper.

There seems to be a wide difference of opinion among expert fighting men as to the outcome of the mill. Corbett, Choynski, Fitzsimmons, Tommy Burns, Sam Fitzpatrick, Jack McAuliffe, William Muldocn, Abe Attell, Ad Wolgast, Bob Armstrong, Tom Sharkey, Jack Gleasen, Tom O'Rourke and Sam Lengford are positive that Jeffries will win. On the other hand, Billy Delaney, Al Kaufman, Stanley Ketchel, Battling Nelson, Owen Moran, Jim Coffroth and Hugh McIntosh favor Johnson's chances. John L. Sullivan is on the fence.

The soccer championship finals will be soon under way. The Ontario Football Association meets on Saturday to make the draws. There are left in the seniors, Peterboro, Hamilton, Stratford and the Toronto teams. Intermediate, British United, Green River, Claremont, Hamilton and the W.F.A. winners, and junior, Broadviews, Markham and Atwood.

Olambala, a chestnut colt which wears the silks of R. T. Wilson, jr., equaled the world's record of 2.02 4.5 for one mile and a quarter, when he captured the Commonwealth Handicap Saturday afternoon at Sheepshead Bay. Ever since Broomstick hung out these figures at Brighton Beach in the summer of 1904 they have been untouched. The nearest time to the record made during the past six years was when Ballot won the Suburban two years ago, and covered the distance in 2.08.

By his great victory Saturday, Olambala will be enrolled in the record book on equal terms with Broomstick, and will have also the honor of being a record-holder at Sheepshead Bay. Olambala's performance is superior to that of Broomstick in that he carried 122 pounds, while Broomstick had only 108 on his back. Two lengths behind Olambala finished the sturdy King James, and six lengths in the rear of the Hildreth star was Fashion Plate. Hilarious, the only other duplicate of his performance when he wor the Suburban.

A victory by Sweep in to-day's Law-rence Realization Stakes will net about, \$10,000 for James R. Keene, and will place him at the head of the winning owners for the Sheepshead Bay meeting. Sweep will be a prohibitive favorite, with pos-sibly two or three ordinary selling platers to heat.

By defeating the Torontos on the Scarboro grounds on Friday, the Nationals have shown their class, and it looks as if they would be the team to beat for the championship. They meet the Capitals in Montreal on the 3th, and again at Ot tawa on the 16th, and should win both. The Torontos go to Cornwall on the 3th, and will be at home with the Tecumsehs on the 16th. Then comes the return game with the Nationals at Montreal on the 23rd, when, if the Torontos can stay on the field, and have good officials, they have a chance to win and be in the running, but if they get another bump there doesn't look to be much to it but Nationals. The champion Montreal team have no more league games until Aug. 6, after no more league games until Aug. 6, after their return from the coast, and those western trips seem to have a very de-moralizing effect on the traveling teams,

At Pittsburg—Cincinnati again defeated Pittsburg, because of better hitting Burns held the world's champions to four hits, all singles except one. The exception was a two-bagger by Leach, which scored Pittsburg's only run in the first innings. Batteries—Powell, Phillippe and Gibson; Burns and McLean. Umpires—Klem and Kane.

Chicago at St. Louis—Rain.

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Just Before the Battle Men Issue Statements

Jeffries is in Perfect Condition and Johnson Never Better Both Say They Are Absolutely Confident of Victory.

RENO, Nevada, July 3.—James J. Jeffries and John A. Johnson, thruthe Associated Press to-night, delivered their last message to their confidence of fitness for the struggle of to-morrow.

"When the gloves are knotted on my hands to morrow afternoon, and I stand ready to defend what is really my title, it will be at the request of the public, who forced me out of retirement. I realize full well just what depends on me, and I will not disappoint the public. As to my condition, just hew I feel on the eve of the battle, there's no use going into detail. That portion of the white race that has been looking to me to defend its athletic supremacy may feel assured that I am fit to do my very best.

"I want those who fancy my chances to know this much: If I had as much as a slight pain, a sore finger, or the most trivial thing imaginable that might annoy me, I would immediately insist on a postponement. Fortunately, I am as sound as a dollar. I think I will surely beat Johnson. I would not have signed to fight at all, unless I was reasonably certain of victory.

"It is impossible for me to say just how I will fight this colored man. My method of fighting will develop as the actual scrapping is on. Neither can I say whether the bout will be short or long. Suffice it to say that any time I hit the other fellow I am going to hurt him, and that I will win just as quickly as I can."

"When I so into the ring on the Fourth of July to fight Mr. Jeffries, I will do so with full confidence that I am able to defeat him at the game of give and take. I honestly believe that in pugilism I am Jeffries' master, and it is my purpose to demonstrate this in the most decisive way possible. I think I know Jeffries thoroly as a fighter, and, with this knowledge reassuring me, I am more than willing to defend the title of champion against him.

"I have trained faithfully for this fight. There cannot be the slightest doubt that my physical condition is such that it could not be improved. The conditions under which I have trained, and the routine I have followed, have brought me to a state in which I will be able to exert every ounce of my strength and bring into play every point about boxing that I know. My original intentions regarding my training have been carefully carried out, and I could not hope for better results. Critics and others who have seen me agree that I am conditioned to the notch where I could enter the ring at a moment's notice.

"It has never been my policy before a battle to discuss the methods I will employ during my fight. In this fight, more than in any other, it is impossible to tell in detail just how things will go. I am going to win. I will be there, fighting at every turn.

"I don't look forward to tight pinches, but I think my superiority over Mr. Jeffries eliminates the need of any thought of such things. There will be no lagging. The fight in all possibility, will be fast thruout every round, no matter how far it goes. I am prepared for a long contest, if the fight is not quickly ended and it goes without saying that a short fight would be playing into my hands.

"Every fighter on the eve of his fight declares that he hopes the best man wins. I am quite sincere when I say that I do. If Mr. Jeffries knocks me out, or gains a decision over me, I will go into his corner and congratulate him as soon as I am able. My congratulations will be no fake. I mean it. If Mr. Jeffries has it

may receive. "Let me say in conclusion, that I believe the meeting between Mr. Jeffries and myself will be a great test of strength, skill and endurance. The tap of the gong will be music to me."

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The Bruisers of England

How George Borrow, the Novelist, Tells of Them and the Fight at Norwich in 1821.

Torontos a great deal the worst of the decisions.

National League Saturday.

At Eoston—Brown pitched winning ball Saturday and Boston shut out Philadelphia 5 to 6. When Beck knocked a homer run in the fourth, Stack was replaced by Shettler. Batterles—Stack, Shettler and Moran. Brown and Graham, Umpires—O'Day and Brennan.

At New York—After losing two straight games to New York, Brooklyn wom by 6 to 2. Butterles—Bell and Bergen: Dickson, At Pittsburg—Cincinnati again defeated Umpires—Joinstone and Moran.

At Pittsburg—Cincinnati again defeated Pittsburg—Cincinnati

to the chapter:
"On the 20th of May, 1820, an eager crowd might have been seen pressing up to a card displayed in the Castle Tayern, Norwich. The card was signed T. C. and T. Belcher; but everyone

a poppy's after a shower.'

and Martin, the 'Baker,' lost much of its interest by reason of the storm described in Lavengre. 'During the contest,' says The Norfolk Chronfele, 'a most tremendous black cloud informed the spectators that are sousing was most tremendous black cloud informed the spectators that a rare sousing was in preparation for them, and The Mercury states that the heavy rain drenched the field, and most betook

FACTS ABOUT TO-DAY'S BATTLE OF THE CENTURY

J. J. JEFFRIES and J. A. JOHNSON
Place Reno, Nev.
Length of bout. Forty-five rounds
Size of ring ... 22 feet square
Attendance (estimated) ... 17,000
Receipts (estimated) ... \$200,000
Favorite Jeffries, 10 to 61-2
Time of fight, 1.30 o'clock, Pacific
time; 4.30 o'clock, Toronto time,
Officials Referee—Tex Rickard of
Nevada. Alternate referee—Uhas.
White of New York, Timekeeper
—George F. Harting of San Francisco. Announcer—Billy Jordan
of San Francisco. Stakeholder—
Big Tim Sullivan of New York.
Betting commissioner—Tom Corbett of San Francisco.

upon the mind. Many years have not passed over my head, yet during those which I can call to remembrance, how many things have I seen flourish, pass away, and become forgotten, except by myself, who, in spite of all my endeavors, never can forget anything. I have known the time when a pugilistic encounter between two noted champions was almost considered in the light of a national affair; when tens of thousands of individuals, high and low, meditated and brooded upon it, the first thing in the morning and the last at night, until the great event was decided. But the time is past, and many people will say, thank God that it is; all I have to say is, that the French still live on the other side of the water, and are still casting their eyes hitherward—and that in the days of pugilism it was no vain beast to say, that one Englishman was a match for two of tother race; at present it would be a vain boast to say so, for these are not the days of pugilism.

one way, some another; some of tip top reputation came with peers in their charists for gloty and fame are such fair things that over peers are proud to have those invested therewith by their sides; others came in their own cless divides. own sigs, driving their own bits, of blood, and I heard one say: "I have driven thru at a heat the whole 111 miles, and only stopped to balt twice."
Oh, the blood-horses of old England!
but they too have had their day—for
everything beneath the sun there is

So the bruisers of England are come so the bruisers of England are come to be present at the grand fight speedily coming off; there they are met in the precincts of the old town, near the Field of the Chapel, planted with tender saplings at the restoration of sporting Charles, which are now become venerable elms, as high as many a steeple; there they are met at a fitting rendezvous, where a retired coachman, with one leg, keeps an hotel and a bowling-green. I think I now see them upon the their return. It is the prevailing opinion among Toronto supporters who witnessed the game on the 1st that the officials and especially Peter Murphy, gave the Torontos a great deal the worst of the decisions.

Of "Lavengro," and "The Romany The Romany of England, Thomas Cribb. The purport of the notice was that Edward Painter of Norwich was to fight Thomas Oliver of London, for a day. There's Cribb, the champion of England, and perhaps the best man in England; there he is, with his hands. He adored his father (an officer) who had himself fought a battle one morning in Hyde Park with Brain later and in Hyde Park with Brain later and in England; there he is, with his hands.

"At an early hour on Monday, the blow, given with the proper play of 17, the roads were alive with pedestrians, equestrians, Jews, Gentilles and gypsies, in coaches, with his hands behind him, supportbarouches, and vehicles of every sort. Ing his brown coat lappets, understand they streamed down sized, and who looks anything but blow, given with the proper play of his athletic arm, will unsense a glant.

Yonder individual, who strolls about barouches, and vehicles of every sort. From Norwich they streamed down Tombland into Magdalen-street and road, out on the Coltishall highway, and thence—16½ miles in all—to North Walsham and the field. One ancient Walsham and the field. One ancient Stood on Coltishall bridge and countsed 2050 carriages as they swept past. More than 25,000 men and thieves gathered in concentric circles about the stand.

With his hands behind him, supporting his brown coat lappets, understand him his hands behind him, supporting him his hands behind him, supporting him his hands behind him, supporting his brown coat lappets, understand him his hands behind him, supporting his brown coat lappets, understand him his hands behind him, supporting his brown coat lappets, understand him his hands behind him, supporting his brown coat lappets, understand his brown coat "a better shentleman," in which he is guite right, for he is a Weishman. But how shall I name them all? they were there by dozens, and all tremendous in their way. There was Bull-dog Hudson and Fearless Scroggins, who beat the conqueror of Sam the Jew. There was Black Richmond—no, to be a masterpiece of grim brutality: 'Oliver's nob was exchequered, and he fell by heavy righthanded blows on his ears and temple. When on his second's knee, his head dangled about like a poppy's after a shower.' "a better shentleman," in which he is was-what! shall I name thee last? ay,

Baltimore Turn the Tables on Providence-Rain at Montreal.

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Stolen base-Meyers. Sacrifice hit—
Zimmerman. Two-base hits-Ganley,
Schafiy, Esmond, Johnsou. Home run—
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Schafiy. Bases on balls-Off Bartley 3:
Struck out—By Lee 4, by Bartley 3:
First
base on errors—Newark 1, Jersey City 1.
Left on bases—Jersey City 3, Newark 5.
Time—1.35. Umpires—Boyle and Stafford.
Attendance—5000.

Baseball Records

Eastern League Record.

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Jer. City... 0 5 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 — 8 12 2
Batteries—Egan and Crisp; Kissinger and Ryan.
Umpires—Boyle and Stafford.

Last Day in Camps Johnson Runs 8 Miles While Jeff Rests

words will be flashed around the world.

To-morrow afternoon James J. Jeffries and John A. Johnson will meet in their long-talked of fight for the undisputed heavyweight championship of the world. Gloved fists will thud against flesh in the open arena near Reno. And the son of a slave mamy of the old south, heavyweight champion Johnson, or the son of a preacher, the undefeated Jeffries, will be declared the most perfect fighting machine in the history of the prize ring. It is estimated that 10,000 visitors are crowded into this desert city to-day. From east and west the specials disgorged their leads of sporting men, many of whom have traveled from the far corners of the earth. All day big automobiles, powdered with the white dust of the desert, have chugged in from the coast cities, from the California valleys, from ranch and mining camp, even from Seattle, a thousand miles away.

Delaney in Jeffries' Corner.

The last touch to the drama that will be staked to-morrow was added by the arrival at the Johnson camp of Billy Delarey, veteran trainer of fighters, who amouncedpositively that he would be to

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