SHREWD MANAGER A NECESSITY FOR MODERN EXPONENT OF THE PUGILISTIC ART

Fighting is One Thing and Matchmaking Another, Says Jim Corbett; Latest Gossip in Eastern Pugilistic Circles

(By James J. Corbett, former heavyweight champion of the world.)

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New York, Sept. 28.—Nowadays a boxer finds that a shrewd manager is frequently quite as essential to success as the ability to skillfully wield the padded gloves. Take the case of Jack Britton for example. Here is a young man who has been boxing professionally for something like 7 years, during which time he made a record that any boxer might be justly proud of.

Jack recently decided to give the game in Gotham a trial. After he had been in town a few days he discovered it no easy task to break into metropolitan lightweight society. Local stars knew Britton by reputation and could not see him at all. Promoters did not care to match a man of his standing with inferior opponents. He had the tools but he couldn't get a job.

Britton arrived at the conclusion that "fighting is one thing and matchmaking that is something else again," as Morris Perlmutter might put it. So he decided to hire a manager. After carefully looking the local assortment over he enlisted under the banner of Danny Morgan, a young man of great energy and perspicacity and a genius for getting gobs of free space in the sporting columns of the newspapers.

This took place about two months ago and since then Britton has been the busiest boxer in the game. Morgan has kept him going right along and he has averaged one bout a week. Coming here with the reputation of being clever but with no "kick," Britton has earned fame as a "knocker-out." He defeated Eddie Murphy in eight rounds, and only last week beat Young Saylor the Indianapolis lightweight, so badly, that the latter to save himself resorted to foul tactics and was disqualified.

Britton is now on the trail of Packey McFarland and several local clubs are competing for the contest. As yet Packey has not declared his intentions but when the bids get high enough it is thought he will agree to the match. Jack and Packey boxed ten rounds to a draw at Memphis about two years ago, and it is upon that showing Britton bases his claims for recognition by the stockyards champion.

Hugh McIntosh, the Australian promoter, has an agent now working on Jack Johnson with the hope of persuading the big negro to sign articles for bouts with Langford and McVey at the Sydney stadium. He refuses to take that retirement talk seriously. Mac writes me he looks forward to the most successful season of his career as promoter and would like to top off the program with a Johnson-Langford bout for the heavyweight championship. He has thousands of renters in this country.

Young Jack O'Brien shows improvement every time he starts. In a recent ten round bout with Young Brown a sturdy local scrapper, the Philadelphia youngster gave a clever exhibition. His one failing is in not knowing how to protect himself at close quarters. At long range he played with his opponent, but at in-fighting failed to distinguish himself. Of course he is very young and will no doubt remedy this defect under the careful coaching of big brother, the original Philadelphia Jack.

O'Brien wants to meet Ad Wolgast again. It will be remembered the boys boxed six rounds a few months ago and the Quaker City scribes opined that Young Jack had the best of it. Wolgast was not in championship form by any means on that occasion, it being his second try-out after a long spell of idleness following the operation for appendicitis, and O'Brien's supporters should not bank too strongly on the result of that encounter. If the youngster has no better defense at close range than he showed in the Brown contest I shudder to think what Wolgast in condition would do to him. In-fighting is Ad's long suit and until O'Brien has mastered a better defense it would be folly to think of sending him after the champion.

In looking over a recent issue of the Sydney referee, the leading sporting paper of Australia, I am pained to observe that my esteemed friend, Bill Corbett (amateur), is peeved over the fact that enemies of boxing in that section of the globe suggest that the "kidney punch" be dispensed with in boxing matches of the future. Bill pulls the doctor's dope to prove the punch has been badly slandered and that it is no more dangerous to wallop a healthy athlete over the kidney than to slap him on the wrist. And, what's more, Bill is right, take it from one who has been through the mill.

One or two of the recent boxing shows at the larger New York clubs have not drawn the crowds figured on, notably the Attell-Thomas and Kilbane-O'Keefe matches, and the club owners are threatening to bar the high class performers in the future unless they consent to work on a percentage.

Kilbane, it is said, boxed for a guarantee of $2,000 in the O'Keefe contest, which to my way of sizing the thing up is not too much for a champion. If the bout did not draw as well as expected, it was due largely to the greediness of the management in boosting the admission. Had the show been given at the popular scale of prices usually charged at the Garden there is little doubt that the commodious arena would have been packed, for Kilbane would have drawn the crowd even though the knockers have been handing it to him pretty hard of late.

The trouble with the majority of boxing promoters is that they are hard losers. Like most sure-thing players they are not game to gamble. Everything is lovely when they make money, but the squeal always follows a loss.

Local critics did not hesitate to award Johnny Kilbane the decision over Eddie O'Keefe. They were also unanimous in branding the Clevelander a poor species of title holder. In this they leave themselves open to a charge of inconsistency. In the past these same critics have not been sparing in their praise of the skill of both Johnny Dundee and O'Keefe, and now that Kilbane comes along and outpoints both the boys in a manner to convince everybody of his superiority over the highly touted pair, it would seem the champion was entitled to a modicum of praise for his victories. But even that is denied him.

It may be Kilbane is not all wool and a yard wide, as a champion should be; that he is no a skilful boxer, that he can't hit hard enough to hurt, that he is not aggressive, and has no defense worth mentioning. That may all be true, but I'd like to see some one of his weight outpoint him before I'd believe it. Kilbane may not be particularly showy, but his work is effective and he pulls considerable clever stuff that may (mind you I say "may") go over the heads of many so-called experts.

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WOODBINE RACES ENDED; ANOTHER MUDDY DAY

Going Was Deep, But There Were Some Very Good Events

Toronto, Sept. 29.—The Woodbine meeting came to a close with the running of yesterday's program. The Ontario Jockey club added $1,000 to the seven races. Four of the seven events were stakes.

The going was deep and heavy, and the mudders had a decided advantage.

The opening dash at six furlongs resulted in a drive the length of the stretch, with Bawana Tombo stalling off the fast closing Frog Legs. The latter, slow to get going, ran a winning race.

The Hendric steeplechase, over the three-mile course, saw but four go to the post, and resulted in a good race throughout. Highbridge, with the heavy impost, assumed the lead for a turn of the field, only to give way to Buckthorn, who moved up stoutly. Pemberton sent Highbridge after him again, and outlasted The Prophet in a drive.

The victory of Mrs. Livingstone's Solemai in the race for the Ontario Jockey club cup, was a popular one. This mare won the event last year. Summary:

First race, all ages, six furlongs—Bawana Tombo, 108 (Small), straight $7.30, won. Frog Legs, 114 (Teehan), place $2.10, second. Ray, 96 (Ferguson), show $5.90, third. Time 1:14. Lewis, Acton, Burnt Candle, Magpie and Viley also ran.

Second race, four-year-olds and up, Hendric steeplechase, $2,000 added, three miles—Highbridge, 167 (Pemberton), straight $5.30, won. The Prophet, 142 (Kermath), second. Buckthorn, 135 (Beamish), third. Time 6:20. Bello also ran.

Third race, three-year-olds and up, Ontario Jockey club $500 added, 1 1-4 miles—Solemai, 100 (Martin), straight $6.00, won. Colston, 100 (Ferguson), place $4.80, second. Star Charter, 130 (Teehan), show $2.30, third. Time 2:56 3-5. Live Wire and Casteel also ran.

Fourth race, two-year-olds, $1,500 added, Grey stakes, one mile—Leo Chares, 110 (Teehan), straight $2.70, won. Flabbergast, 108 (Small), place $3.80, second. Tankard, 103 (Adams), show $2.60, third. Time 1:40 3-5. Oliver Lodge and Flitterfoot also ran.

Fifth race, three-year-olds and up, Durham cup, foaled in Canada, $1,500 added, 1 3-4 miles—Cahunny, 105 (McCarthy), straight $27.90, won. Ondramon, 109 (Rowley), place $4.10, second. Hersey, 117 (Teehan), show $2.50, third. Time 3:07. Mary Bud, Tropolageum, Havrock also ran.

Sixth race, two-year-old maidens foaled in Canada, 5 furlongs—Maid of Frome, 105 Murgrave, straight $3.60; Cristeawoma, 112 (Ferguson), place $6.80, second. Hollybrook, 112 (Teehan), show $2.50, third. Time 1:06. Ironical, Elfrain, Venus Urani, Voivoide, John Bowman, Half Shot also ran.

Seventh race, one mile and 70 yards, three-year-olds and up, selling—At Once, 106 (Musgrave), straight $40, won. Troy Weight, 105 (Teehan), place $4.40, second. Monkey, 99 (Ferguson), show $9.60, third. Time 1:47 3-4. Miss Joe, Chilton, Trance, Tom Sayers, Tanunda, Lord Elam and Otilo also ran.

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FISTIC FODDER

Bombardier Wells, the British heavy weight, who was recently married, will remain in London until midwinter.

Hugh Mehegan, the Australian lightweight champion, who won from Matt Wells on a foul last week, will arrive in America next month. His chief bout will be with Packey McFarland, as he is too heavy to make the 133 pounds ringside which Wolgast demands.

Tony Caponi is still in the ring game. Last week in Dubuque the Italian middleweight, who at one time was considered a candidate for the middleweight championship, fought a fast ten-round draw with Gus Christie, of Milwaukee.

Despite the assertions of Jack Johnson that he has retired, it is generally believed in Chicago that he will accept Hugh McIntosh's proposition. The Australian promoter offers the negro champion $50,000 to fight in Sydney with Sam Langford and Sam McVey.

Superb cleverness was displayed by Young Jack O'Brien last week in New York in his bout with Young Brown. O'Brien had the better of eight of the ten rounds, and had his opponent hanging on at the end of the last round.

Grover Hayes, the Philadelphia light weight, has arrived in Honolulu on his way to Australia, where he is matched up for several bouts.

Bantamweight Champion Johnny Coulon, expects to have three battles in New York and Brooklyn within the next few weeks. His first will be with Kid Williams on October 18.

Willie Ritchie, lightweight, who is after a bout with Ad Wolgast, may be out of the ring for some time. A doctor says it will be several weeks before the fighter can do any boxing or bag punching.

Promotor Tom McCarey will stage on no bouts in Los Angeles next month unless he can find an opponent for Joe Rivers.

Luther McCarthy, the Missouri "hope," is matched with Jim Flynn, the bout to take place before the Madison Square Athletic Club in New York on October 18.

Jack Johnson has obtained an injunction restraining the management of a negro theatre in Chicago from exhibiting action pictures of the funeral procession of his wife.

According to the Vancouver World all Jie Bayley asks for a bout with Ernie Barrieau is 50 per cent. of the gross receipts of a flat guarantee of $5,500. The World adds this little touch to a merited "panning": Manager Condon has not secured a permit for a match yet, and when he does so another effort will be made to persuade him to see things in a reasonable light. If he fails to do so, he will probably be compelled to take his little fistic god down to 'Frisco or some place else where the game is good, where he will probably get some of the daylight knocked out of him and some little sense knocked into his cranium at the same time.

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During the period 1897 to 1908 the rateable value of agricultural land had steadily decreased. Since 1908, however, there has been a steady increase, with the result that at present it is only 2.2 per cent. below the valuation of 1897.