

sentence therein that I must quote it. It occurs half-way down his first column, and runs thus: 'In the first place, his remark' (meaning mine) 'implied—he' (meaning me) 'wishes it now to imply something else—that superiority in height was a positive disadvantage to a man, be he a good sparrer or bad—*vide* his article.' 'Veritas' here unjustly undertakes to show a shuffle on my part, without the ghost of a pretence for doing so. And, secondly, asserts that I have given to your readers an opinion that would at once 'stamp me Goose,' and unworthy of a place among the correspondents of the SPIRIT. If 'Veritas' can by any possibility establish, from my words, or the tenour of my argument, that '*be he a good sparrer or bad*' was by me implied, I knock under and hide my 'diminished head' at once and for ever. I based my opinion as to Heenan's height being a disadvantage to him upon what has been given to me as fact, by an experienced eye-witness of the contest between him and Morrissey—viz., that when Morrissey succeeded in breaking through Heenan's guard, and getting home a heavy blow, although Heenan was quite fresh, he couldn't keep his hands down, his arms flew round wildly, and he was licked in five minutes, by as many of Morrissey's rib-benders. Those of your readers who saw the fight well know how near this is to truth; and thus for the present I will dismiss 'Veritas' misconception and consequent mis-statement. I do like your correspondent 'America;' he does speak as if he would stick to 'the Boy' 'ō his last farthing, and if 'the Boy' should chance to be beaten, would stick to him still. That's the sort of backer I like. First knock down, first fall, first blood, and fight, all to be won nobly, and patriotically. Hurrah! 'A second Waterloo, in which two of the greatest generals in the world ever produced are to contend.' That *simile* I do not like, for, if I can credit my eyes and ears, this will be a case of General against *no* General—a great captain at the head of a smaller force of bone and muscle, size, weight, and sinew, against a newly-appointed and inexperienced commander of a vastly greater strength of the same commodity. Waterloo truly resembled this in all, but that the Generals were equally well experienced, and the superiority in quantity on one side was negated by the quality on the other. This