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TEX RICARD TALKS OF THE RING CHIEFS

Buffalo, Dec. 25—"Don't let anybody tell you that Jack Johnson is a back number and that any of these white hopes are going to whip him. There are scarcely two men in the world who would have a chance with him right now with the gloves, possibly Joe Jeannette and Sam Langford, and both of these are negroes and either would be far from the choice over Johnson. The champion looks alone in his class today. Tomorrow it may be different, but, speaking of today, alone."

This was the declaration of a man who ought to know, Tex Rickard, of Goldfield, Nev., the western sporting man who sprang into public notice a year ago last July, when, associated with Jack Gleason of San Francisco, he promoted the Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries championship fight in Nevada.

Rickard said he did not come to New York state on boxing business, instead, he is about to sail for South America, the Argentine, which he has visited before and where he is interested in cattle ranches.

Asked as to what he thought of the crop of white hopes, the promoter answered:

"I honestly believe that Bombardier Wells, of England, is the best in sight, and he will need a year or a year and a half to find himself at his best. He gives splendid promise, to my way of thinking, and he may be a champion. I do not know about the other white hopes. Big Carl Morris looked awful good to me at one time, but Carl did not start well in New York, and now has much to overcome to efface that Flynn fight from the memory of the sporting public. There are others who may do later, but they are but in the development stage."

Rickard, who before he mixed in the boxing game, was extensively interested in mining in the far west, and, who, since that time, has renewed his mining and other business operations, is a clean-cut, smooth-shaven young fellow, quick and alert in manner.

Rickard believes that the day of legalized gambling in the United States is a thing of the past. He tells an interesting story about a man who won $60,000 in three rolls of the dice in a Goldfield gambling house. The man, W. S. Elliott, of Philadelphia, had experienced a steady run of bad luck and a roll of $120,000 had dropped down to $60,000. Elliott decided to win back the $60,000 or quit the mining town broke.

"I want to go the limit with what money I have left," he told the gambling-house proprietor. "There's $60,000 in my wad. How strong can I go on each roll."

He was told by the proprietor that he might wager half of the wad on a throw. He asked to be permitted to wager $35,000 on the first roll and the proprietor granted his request.

"Here goes," he said.

A seven turned up. He had won the $35,000. On the second roll he wagered $15,000. A six and a five showed. Again he had won. There was $10,000 up on the third roll. Again the coveted seven put in an appearance.

"It was the most remarkable trio of throws in Goldfield's history," Rickard says. The gambling house proprietor was fairly taken off his feet. The Philadelphian quit when he had won back his $60,000.

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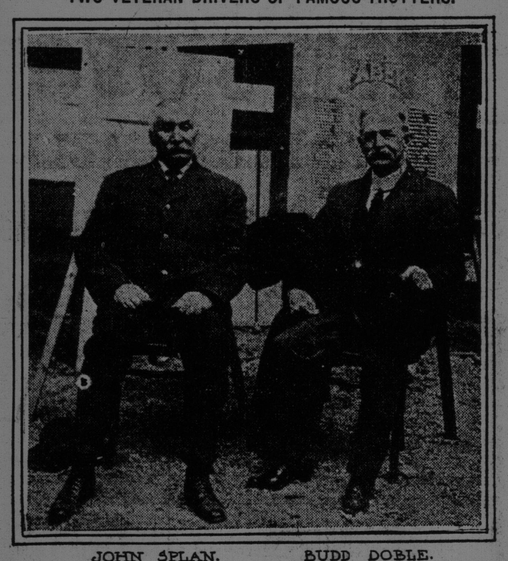

JOHN SPLAN. BUDD DOBLE.

The portraits above are those of two veteran trainers and drivers of famous trotters. "Budd" Doble it was who drove Dexter (2:17¼), Goldsmith Maid (2:14) and Nancy Hanks (2:04). John Splan, whose portrait appears on the left, will be remembered as the famous driver of Rarus.

McVEY GETS DECISION OVER LANGFORD; THE BATTLE

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 25—In the fight here today between Sam McVey and Sam Langford, both American pugilists, McVey won on points.

The bout went the scheduled twenty rounds. In the first and second rounds honors were fairly even, both men showing caution, but landing hard. In the third round, Langford scored a heavy right to the jaw. McVey came back with a hook which sent Langford to the floor, but he got to his feet immediately.

The fifth round was McVey's. He continued to send the left to the jaw and Langford's mouth and tongue were bleeding, and he seemed dazed. By the ninth round, McVey had piled up many points and Langford had been cautioned for using his forearm.

Both showed signs of punishment, and Langford had a marked discoloration and swelling over his right eye.

McVey's mouth and nose were bleeding. It was give and take in the tenth, but the eleventh and twelfth rounds were Langford's.

McVey's left, which had done considerable execution up to this time, began to lack steam. For the next five rounds, the men sparred. Few heavy blows were exchanged. Langford was aggressive, but McVey outboxed him. Langford's eye was closed tight, his opponent frequently landing on this shining mark.

Both were tired and more than cautious in the nineteenth, and when the bell rang for the twentieth they came wearily into the ring, almost too much exhausted to fight.

They clinched throughout this round. All through the fight both men showed gameness, and fought with extreme fairness. The crowd showing appreciation by frequent applause, but the verdict giving the fight to McVey, on points, was vigorously hooted.

Eighteen thousand spectators witnessed the contest, which took place in the open air, under a broiling sun. The betting was 4 to 5, Langford being the favorite. Infighting was not allowed.

PICTURE ACTOR ROBBED OF HIS $400 COAT

Was Playing Part of Highwayman Before Camera — Also Lost Diamond and $100

New York, Dec. 26—While playing the part of Galloping Dick, a highwayman with a picture troupe, before the camera, Jas. Cruze, an actor, lost his $400 mink overcoat, a $200 diamond scarf pin and a roll of bills containing nearly $100.

The troupe had selected a lonely part of Pelham Road, in front of the Pelham Priory, an old English Gothic church near Travers Island, for the scene of a stage holdup by the robber, and were taken there in an automobile.

The auto had withdrawn some distance down the road while a crowd of men and children watched the act. After Galloping Dick had secured a great quantity of jewels and the heart of a fair lady with powdered hair, the troupe returned to the automobile, and Cruze discovered he was minus his property.

The leading lady shared her mantle with him.

Mrs. William B. McLean, wife of Captain McLean, of 184 Main street, fell in Main street yesterday at noon and broke one of her arms. Dr. C. M. Pratt attended her.

Rev. Dr. Tucker addressed a temperance meeting in the Seamen's Institute on Saturday night. Rev. P. Coulthurst spoke at the Sunday evening service.

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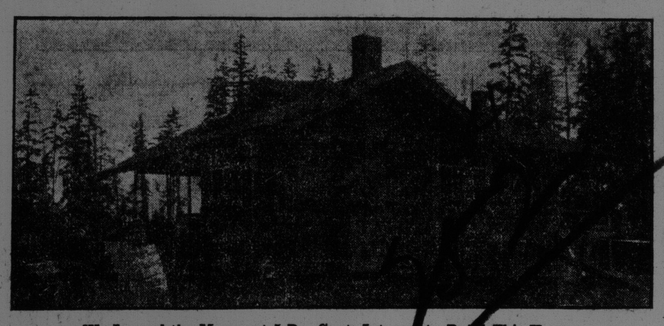

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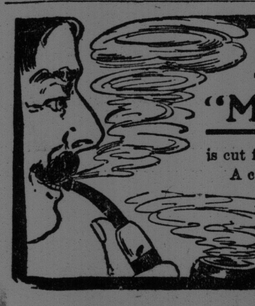

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SPORT NEWS OF A DAY; HOME AND ABROAD

The Turf

Old-Time Stars.

Budd Doble, who for two generations was accounted the world's foremost trainer, in a recent interview with Gurney Gue was asked this question:—

"Would Dexter, Lady Thorn or Goldsmith Maid have a chance with the greatest trotters of today, if you could bring them back in their best form and give them the same advantages as to sulkies, boots, shoeing, balancing, training, tracks and the like?"

The veteran, in his reply, paid the following high tribute to the stars of old: "I think they would, but I would rather put it another way. If the trotters of today had to go back to the conditions existing when Dexter, Lady Thorn and Goldsmith Maid were on the turf, I don't believe any of them could beat the records of the old-time horses very much.

"Uhlan might; they tell me he is simply a wonder. But give Lou Dillon the task that Dexter had to perform and I for one would expect to see her fall."

"Was Dexter a greater trotter than Lady Thorn or Goldsmith Maid?"

"Thorn was a much better mare than the public thought she was. She was just coming on when she met Dexter, and was beaten by him. Her winning races with the Maid were trotted when she was at her best and the other mare was still improving, so that it is hard to say which was best, but I think Thorn might, when she was just to an edge, beat Dexter and the Maid.

"She was not so reliable as the Maid, however, and in a series of races I should expect the Maid to win. She was the greatest campaigner of them all. Just think of it. When she was 19 years old, she equalled her record of 2.14 and won the fastest six-heat race that had ever been trotted. When she was 20 she defeated Rarus in 2.14 1-2.

"She never had on a hind shoe lighter than 10 ounces, when it should have been three or four ounces and she wore a common road shoe forward.

"Dexter had one great quality that no other trotter ever had. He could go any race at one, two or three-mile heats and he could go any way rigged, under saddle, to sulky or to wagon, and beat the best horses of his day. He was the greatest all-round trotter we have ever seen."

John McClelland, a famous turfman and former trainer for "Lucky" Baldwin, is dead in Arcadia, Cal. He was sixty-two years old and a brother of the late Byron McClelland, noted horseman of Lexington.

The Ring

Some Ex-Champions.

There are living at least twenty-one men who have held championships of the ring and five of them still wear the crests of title. The heavyweight class has the greatest number of former champions, six; and the lightweight class has five men who have had the hand raised by a referee as the winner in a fight for a crown.

Paddy Ryan is now a policeman; John L. Sullivan, who beat Ryan, has retired wealthy from the stage; Jim Corbett, the cleverest of all the big men, is an actor; Robert Fitzsimmons has a farm at Dunnelen, N. J., but he has made his earnings from an actor; Vaudeville, Jim Jeffries is rich. Jack Johnson is the present champion.

In the middleweight class there are three men alive who have had the title. Fitz has been mentioned. O'Brien, "Philadelphia Jack," is in Philadelphia, while Billy Papke has announced his retirement from the ring.

The welterweight class has three former champions living. Harry Lewis is regarded as the best of the present lot. He never won the title, but it has just drifted to him, as did the featherweight robes to Abe Attell. Joe Walcot is in Boston. Honey Mellody has a drug store and still fights. Joe Thomas is trying to fight his way back to the top of the ladder.

The lightweight class has five men who are alive and have won the title. Jack McAuliffe is an actor. "Kid" Lavigne has a cafe in Detroit, and Frank Erne has a school of boxers in Paris. Battling Nelson is touring the country. Ad Wolgast, the champion, is just recovering from an operation for appendicitis in Los Angeles.

Cal. McCarthy hangs out in Troy, N. Y., and he is one of the four featherweights who have won crowns, Terry McGovern is in New York, as is Young Corbett.

News of the Boxers.

Frank Klaus and Eddie McGoorty have been matched to meet in a six round bout in Pittsburg on Dec. 27.

Lightweight Champion Ad. Wolgast thinks that he will be able to begin active ring service about July 4. Wolgast's sickness has knocked him out of a large amount of money.

Kid Scaler of Spokane and Gilbert Gallant of Chelsea have been matched to meet in a ten-round bout in Pittsfield, New Year's night. Scaler is one of the busiest of the little fellows at the present time.

Denver Jack Geyer who failed in his attempts against Carl Morris, created quite an impression with his showing against Charles Horn in California last week. Geyer held the Pacific coast heavyweight to a draw, and has been matched for a return meeting on December 31 for a ten-round bout.

Emil Theiry and Packey McFarland, the Chicago near light-weight, have parted company. It seems that a little professional jealousy enters into the break. Theiry undertook to assume the management of Willie Ritchie, a lightweight. Ritchie was a sparring partner of McFarland. Ritchie must be pretty good when Theiry elects to take up with him in place of McFarland.

Packey McFarland and Phil Brock have been matched for a ten round fight, to take place in Cleveland on next Friday.

Kennel

Prize Dog Dead.

Glenmere Goshen, an English bull terrier, owned by Robert Ogden Goelet, is dead at Mr. Goelet's Glenmere kennels, near Chester, Orange County, N. Y. He had taken many prizes at bench shows in New York and other places about the country and was valued at $1,500.

Bowling

Good Scores.

Turkeys were the prizes for the highest scores on the Victoria and the King George alleys on Christmas. E. Morrissey with a score of 130 took the Victoria turkey, and D. Foshay, with 120, was the winner on the King George alleys. Thomas Cosgrove won a turkey, for the highest single string on Black's alleys yesterday. He rolled 127.

Football

British Games.

London, Dec. 23—The following are the results of the football matches played today:

First League.

Aston Villa, 1; Sheffield U., 0.
Blackburn R., 2; Sunderland, 2.
Bury, 1; Everton, 2.
Liverpool, 1-2; Oldham A., 0.
Manchester N., 2; Bolton Wanderers, 0.
Middlesboro, 3; Manchester City, 1.
Notts County, 3; Woolwich A., 1.
Preston N. E., 2; Newcastle U., 1.
Sheffield W., 4; West Brom. A., 1.
Tottenham Hotspur, 2; Bradford C., 3

Second League.

Barnsley, 2; Clapton Orient, 1.
Blackpool, 3; Huddersfield T., 1.
Bradford, 1; Chelsea, 1.
Burnley, 2; Wolverhampton W., 1.
Grimsby Town, 0; Derby C., 3.
Fulham, 2; Notts Forest, 0.
Glossop, 2; Birmingham, 0.
Hull City, 3; Bristol City, 0.
Leeds City, 2; Leicester Fosse, 0.
Stockport C., 2; Gainsboro T., 0

Southern League.

Swindon T., 1; Brighton, 2.
Westham U., 0; Coventry, 1.
Millwall A., 2; Leyton, 1.
Queens Park R., 1; Norwich, 2
Brentford, 1; Crystal Palace, 0.
Exeter City, 2; Southampton, 2.
New Brompton, 0; Plymouth, 1.
Luton, 3; Northampton, 3.

Scottish League.

Hibernians, 1; Aberdeen, 1.
Third Lanark, 0; Airdrieonians,
Celtic, 1; Morton, 1.
Kilmarnock, 1; Clyde, 3.
Dundee, 2; Hamilton A., 0.
Falkirk, 0; Rangers, 2.
Motherwell, 0; Hearts, 3.
Patrick Thistle, 2; Queens Park, 1.
St. Mirren, 2; Raith Rovers, 0.

Rugby.

Newport, 31; London Welsh, 3.
Cardiff, 26; United Service, 0.
Blackheath, 38; Old Alleynins.
Bristol, 24; Bath, 9.
Merchant Taylors, 16; Harlquin, 0.

AMUSEMENTS IN ST. JOHN; WHAT THE PLAYHOUSES OFFER

NICKEL.

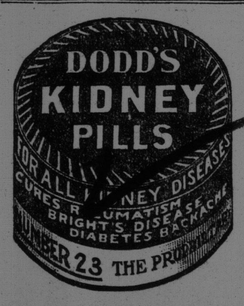
The Nickel added to its long list of successes yesterday in presenting Count Greiger, The Merry Wizard—a young man of German birth who has a fund of mystifying tricks that create wonderment and much laughter. At both the afternoon and evening sessions the big theatre was crowded and the magic act was put on for everybody. This afternoon and evening the Count will delight young and old. A score of tricks were shown each time and as usual a person from the audience assisted in making the fun. Roars of laughter marked every moment of the time the mystery work was going on.

The Nickel's new feature bids fair to attract thousands of children, especially during the holiday season, as it is entertainment that appeals direct to them. Shortly before coming to St. John Count Kreiger was the chief entertainer at a large party of little ones in the home of one of New York's millionaires. The new picture bill includes twelve fine "new photos" of world's great events as contained in the Pathe Weekly No. 43, a screaming comedy entitled "The Righ John Smith" by the Essanay Co., and a fine dramatic offering—introducing scenes in a motion picture studio—by the Lubin Co. This is called "The Newsboy's Luck." Mr. Bessette will sing, and the orchestra.

THE GEM.

The holiday programme at the Gem Theatre was a source of enjoyment to the audiences in attendance yesterday, which were well up to the standard established at this house as regards attendance. Miss Helen Ardric scored a distinct success in her singing of "Jingle Bells," while the special musical programme of the orchestra was well received. The Lubin Company furnished an attractive "headliner" in a western story, "An Accidental Outlaw," wherein it is shown how a slight incident of travel caused a thoroughly honest and reliable young man to be looked upon as a scape-grace, a "knight of the road," and he played the part until his name was saved by a heroic act. "Captain Barnacle, Diplomat," is a pleasing Vitagraph production, in which the leading character is an "ever-ready" when matters of a delicate nature need to be dealt with. The third picture is "The Hindu Jewel Mystery," in which oriental customs and hidden gems figure prominently. The show is to be repeated tonight.

About two thousand people, young and old, visited Lily Lake yesterday and enjoyed the first skate of the season. The ice was good.



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LONDON'S DRAMATIC CENSOR RESIGNS

Brookfield, About Whom Fuss Was Raised, Becomes His Successor

London, Dec. 5—London's dramatic censor, George Alexander Redford, known officially as the "Examiner of Plays," has resigned his position. Charles E. Brookfield, who was appointed his assistant on November 20 last, is to succeed him.

It is understood that Mr. Redford resigned because Mr. Brookfield was appointed. Mr. Redford declines to discuss the matter, beyond saying: "After all, seventeen years of reading bad plays is quite enough for any man."

The appointment of Mr. Brookfield last November caused considerable stir in the advanced section of the dramatic world, represented by George Bernard Shaw and Granville Barker. They denounced it as "shameful." The older managers, like Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tre, favored the appointment.

MORNING LOCALS

The Vendome Hotel, Prince William and Duke streets was visited by the police on Saturday evening and about $200 worth of spirits was confiscated.

George Buckley of Camden street was severely injured by being struck on the head by a falling timber while working at the I. C. R. wharf on Saturday.

Rev. E. J. Pearson, of Harvey, Rev. W. H. Smith, of Fredericton and Rev. Gordon Dickie of this city, left for St. Stephen this morning to arrange for merger of the St. Stephen and Milltown congregations.

Hon. L. P. Farris and Mrs. Farris, both of whom were ill in the Royal Victoria Hospital, in Fredericton recently, arrived in the city last week and expect to go through to Chipman today to spend a few days there.

A house in Pond street owned by Samuel Lavigne was gutted by fire on Saturday night. The owner also lost a horse, four geese and several chickens. It is believed that the fire was incendiary.

A Morris chair and address were presented to L. A. Belyea, superintendent of Brussels street Baptist church, on Sunday evening.

Rev A. W. Meahan received from the altar boys of the cathedral a purse of gold.

Mrs. John Stack, 112 Waterloo street, received from her boarders yesterday a chest of silver, a silver cracker jar and a pretty jardiniere stand.

Miss Clara Barton, founder of the Red Cross Society yesterday received hearty congratulations upon her ninetieth birthday at her home in Washington.

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