

Rainbow Flour

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Carpentier Slaughters Beckett.

Englishman Lasted 74 Seconds -- Prince of Wales and Galaxy of Nobility View Fight.

(Associated Press, Dec. 4.) George Carpentier, the French champion, knocked out Joe Beckett, champion of England to-night in a brief and decidedly one-sided fight for the heavyweight championship of Europe.

Seventy-four seconds, as announced by the official timer, sufficed to decide whether Carpentier or Beckett should meet Jack Dempsey, the American heavyweight, for the championship of the world in June next. From the moment the referee, B. J. Anglin, called time, Carpentier had the battle entirely in his own hands. Beckett never had a chance of hitting the agile Frenchman, who landed blows with enormous strength whenever he felt inclined.

Amid absolute stillness, most of the spectators could hear the terrific crack of the swing that put Beckett to sleep. There was a roar of cheering as Carpentier assisted Beckett to his corner, where the Englishman opened his astonished eyes and saw his opponent being carried on the shoulders of some of the enthusiasts around the ring.

The contestants presented a notable difference in appearance when they stripped and were introduced—Beckett swarthy and muscular; Carpentier white-skinned with slight figure. Carpentier looked about him as though accustomed to his surroundings; Beckett seemed somewhat nervous.

The Prince of Wales, peers and

peers, members of the House of Commons, high officials of state and many women, most of them in evening dress, looked the fighters over critically as they squared up.

As a fight, the contest was not spectacular. Carpentier was fast on his feet, dancing in and out and playing havoc on the Englishman from first lead. With lightning swiftness, Carpentier's left leaped out and caught Beckett on the face and a suppressed sigh was audible all over the house. A quick break-away followed a short clinch, and the Frenchman landed two more hard lefts.

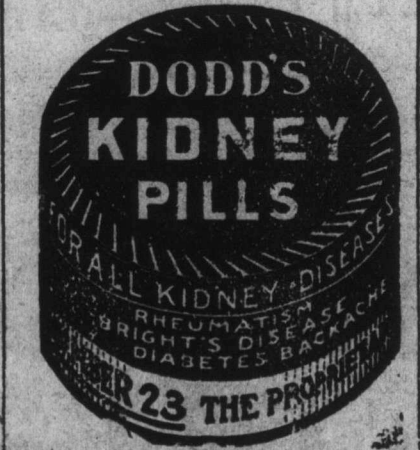
Beckett with a sort of bull-dog determination, forced Carpentier almost to the ropes. But this was a diversion for a moment only, for the Frenchman stepped back and then forward, and

with all his strength and the full weight of his body, swung his right to Beckett's jaw, putting him down and out.

The betting was heavy before the contest, odds of 7 to 4 being laid on Beckett, and most of those present were losers, although Carpentier had plenty of supporters.

A Submarine Phenomenon.

On December 10, 1910, the Glasgow steamer Cadillac, 5,000 tons registered, while on a voyage to Philadelphia passed through an extraordinary and terrifying experience. Nearly one morning the look-out reported the approach of a huge wave, and far away in the direction indicated, a volume of water could be made out, bearing steadily on towards the vessel. Captain McKay was immediately aroused, and hurrying to the bridge, the "Cadillac" was put about, so that she met the cataract of water bow on, and, while everyone clung to any support available, the vessel was lifted high into the air, with many feet of her stern clear. Then, as the wave passed, she slid down into the following trough, her decks partly submerged. Almost everything moveable was washed away, but the timely warning by the watch proved the salvation of the crew. The sea was observed to be in a phenomenal state of commotion. It appeared literally to boil, and in many places miniature water spouts shot into the air. A strange roaring, due to some submarine disturbance, could be plainly heard above the general din. The water from some of the spouts fell upon the "Cadillac's" decks, and was found to be distinctly warm. In a few minutes the wind died almost completely away, whereupon sulphurous fumes filled the air and made breathing difficult. Subsequently thousands of dead fish were observed floating on the ocean's surface, among them sharks and porpoises in large numbers. It was believed to have been caused by a submarine earthquake, and occurred in lat. 46.49, and long. 46.19 W., or in other words, not very far south of the oceanliner track between New York and Liverpool.



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By Gene Byrnes



Ordeal of Poison.

It is said that very strange customs still exist amongst the Bimbala tribe, who reside in numerous village communities on the banks of the Kuri River, a southern tributary of the Congo. In disputes, where two peoples of the same village are concerned, a poison ordeal is employed as judge. Whether a man is accused of witchcraft, parricide, or of some minor offence, he declares himself willing to take poison to prove his innocence.

This poison, which is derived from the bark of a native tree, is usually ground fine and mixed to a thick paste, from which are made five small loaves, and these are administered one after the other to the defendant. During the next fifteen minutes, if it be a case of witchcraft, the bystanders call on Molok (the evil principle) to consent.

The poison usually acts very quickly; it may kill the accused or cause purging or vomiting. The last named effect alone is regarded as a proof of innocence. In the second case the prisoner is compelled to dig a hole. He is then given a bowl to eat and enough palm wine to make him quite intoxicated. After this he is laid in the hole, or possibly goes and lays himself down, and is then buried alive in order to prevent Molok escaping with his last breath. A large fire is kept alight on the grave for two days, and then the body is exhumed and eaten.

An innocent man is carried round the village, decorated with beads, and his accuser pays a pig as compensation for the false charge.

Cannibalism is an every-day occurrence, and, according to the natives themselves, who display no reticence except in the presence of state officials, it is based on a sincere liking for human flesh. Enemies killed in war and people buried alive after the poison test, or dying as a result of it, are eaten; so, too, are slaves, and farther north and near the river these are killed on rare occasions to provide a cannibal feast. In the latter case the body may be buried, for a couple of days and a fire kept burning over the grave. The flesh is consumed in the ordinary way with manioc flour.

No one has ever been able to trace any magical or religious basis for any of these customs. Vessels in which human flesh has been cooked are broken and thrown away, and this rather suggests some magical idea, but the men say the custom is only adopted to prevent women or other prohibited persons from using the same pot afterwards. On the other hand, this prohibition against using the pot subsequently suggests that there was in the past some idea of possible magical effects, though women are at the present day debarred from human flesh, as they are from goat's flesh, only in order that there may be a larger supply for the men.

A Celestial Scrap.

Recently after we had briefly glanced over some four thousand despatches from our private agents in various parts of the world and had satisfied ourselves that there was nothing on earth which particularly needed our attention, we got out our telescope and turned it on the heavens with a view to ascertaining for our readers if there was anything of interest astray in the solar regions. We intercepted a wink between Venus and Mars which proved conclusively to us that that old affair is still in progress and noticed a considerable amount of fibrations waiving among the lesser stars which interested us considerably. Our attention was promptly diverted from such matters, however, when we got a clear sight upon a large, silver planet where there appeared to be a desperate battle in progress. Huge clouds of shining dust rose and eddied in the empyrean air and now again in the intervals of eddying we could dimly perceive the outlines of two struggling forms. We watched the struggle with intense fascination. Up and down and in and out the two wrestling forms made their way. They fell into planetary canals with a great splash and crawled out again to fight. They rolled

down mountain sides and fell off precipices and still the horrible struggle continued. We had just about decided it must be a wrestling match between the great and little bear when suddenly we were undeceived.

A sprawling form hurtled out of the dust and went flying downward through space. It was dressed all in black and wore a little white ribbon badge on its coat. Despite the fury of the battle through which it had just come it still wore on its head a tall stovepipe hat. It fell toward the earth and we judge it hit somewhere in Ontario. This much we noticed and turned our telescope back toward the scene of the late battle.

There stood the victor amid settling clouds of silver mist, gigantic and smiling. As we watched he

reached down amid the shining stars and gathered the little dipper.

And thundering through the realms of space we heard the voice of the Man in the Moon.

"Durn you," he said, "you can't prohibit me. I'm going to be full on Sunday."—Ex.

A LINGUAL FIGHT.

PARIS, Dec. 9. A love feast, scheduled to welcome the return of the Deputies from Alsace and Lorraine to the Chamber of Deputies yesterday at the first session of the newly elected Chamber, turned into a vocal pitched battle, when the Socialists attempted to read their political party declaration. This came after the speeches of Premier Clemenceau, Jules Siegfried, the oldest member of the Chamber, and Jean François, the youngest deputy, who had been selected by the members from Alsace and Lorraine to speak for them.

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