

ALL THE BEST NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC WORLD

SACKVILLE DEFEATS SUSSEX AND CAPTURES FIRST GAME

Sackville, N. B., Jan. 26.—Sackville has won her first. The Sussex sextette were trimmed to the tune of nine to four in a very clean game. The first period started off quite brisk. Sackville scored first and was soon followed by Sussex. The period ended three to three.

The second period was pretty fast, but Sackville had the best of the play all through and the period ended six to four in favor of Sackville.

Sackville having the game well in hand played defensive for the first part of the last period, but in the latter part seemed to rush the Sussex team off their feet and scored three times, blanking their opponents. The game ended nine to four and Sackville's first victory was proclaimed. The game was handled by Alex. Cameron, one of Sackville's old standbys who gave his decisions in a very impartial manner. No penalties were handed out. Rainnie and McDonald were the stars for Sackville, but the players on the team played their positions well, and whenever the opportunity afforded, lost not time in scoring. Following is the line-up:—

Sackville	Positions	Sussex
Chase	Goal	McCully
Rainnie	Point	
Knapp	Cover Point	John LeLair
Richardson	Centre	
McDonald	Right Wing	Mags
Scott	Left Wing	Whiters
Dixon	Spares	Jos. LeLair
		Eveleish

Tonight's game completes the first round of schedule.

Inter-Provincial Standing	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
St. John	3	2	.600
Amherst	4	2	.667
Sussex	2	6	.333
Sackville	1	5	.167

A CRITIC TALKS ON THE BOXING GAME UNUSUAL STRENGTH DEVELOPED

Already in New York they are beginning to predict that Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh heavyweight, is going to be the easiest kind of picking for Jack Johnson when they meet in Paris some time during the coming Spring. They are beginning to say around there that Moran doesn't class and that he won't do, and that his record is anything but reassuring and the like. It's a trifle early to venture any predictions along this line, but one thing will have to be taken into consideration, and upon that will depend the whole match. What kind of condition can the negro work himself into by that time?

If the match had been made a year ago and decided about that time we would feel the same way that the New York critics feel about it at the present time. But a year on an athlete's life when that athlete has reached already the decidedly ticklish age of thirty-six or so, counts for a great deal more than the average layman can calculate. So it looks safe at the present time to give our guessing about Johnson and pay attention to the Moran end of it.

Moran is twenty-seven years old and a seasoned battler, because he has been in the game for four years now, and has met some of the toughest of the tough. Much of Moran's ring work has been done on the other side, and he acquitted himself well enough there to justify getting this plum with Johnson. He beat Al Falzer, Fred Starbuck twice and several others during his first trip to England, but during subsequent visits to London and Paris failed to attract any attention as it seemed impossible to get men to battle him.

The Pittsburgher appears to have what might be called a spotted record. There are some bad places in it, and some fairly good ones, and, all told, it is not half bad at all. One of the best things in his record, strange as it may seem, is a defeat. Moran battled Gunboat Smith for twenty rounds out on the coast, and barely lost a twenty-round decision to the man who now is claiming the white title. Moran battled well that night and always stood a good chance of winning the verdict.

In addition, Moran lost a ten-round decision to Tony Ross in Cleveland, and Jack Geary got one in four rounds over him out on the Pacific coast, which were nothing much to be proud of. But later, Moran went ten rounds in New York with the later Luther McCarty and knocked Al Falzer out in seven rounds, two feats that pretty well offset the others.

From records, of course, it looks as if Gunboat Smith should have been the real record of a white man to go against the colored star, but Moran was on the ground and Smith wasn't, which makes a considerable difference.

ORGANIZED BALL MAGNATE URGES PLAYER TO JUMP

Chicago, Jan. 26.—In three instances Saturday representatives of organized baseball informed major league players, who were delaying the signing of their contracts, to go ahead and jump to the Federal League.

President Murphy of the Chicago Cubs told Ward Miller, the outfielder, who has been flirting with the St. Louis Federals, to go ahead and sign a contract with Mordecai Brown and Arthur Irwin, acting as agent of the New York American League Club, said practically the same thing to Hollie Zelder, infielder, and Ed. Sweeney, catcher.

Murphy's proposition to Ward Miller was unique: "I want Miller to split fifty-five with me," said Murphy. "Miller knows what the Cubs would pay him for next season. If he can get more from the Federals let him let up with them. If the league doesn't start the season then I'll offer him the same salary as I do now and will do all I can to have the National Commission reinstated him."

"In return I demand that his contract with the Federals be approved by attorney. Also I want 50 per cent. of the money he collects unless the league bats as long as his contract stipulates."

MR. CURTIS WANTS RIVIERA RACING

Mr. Glenn H. Curtis, who is stopping at Nica, went to Cannes and in a conversation said his hydro-aeroplane has not yet arrived on the Riviera, but he expects it soon and probably will house it at Nica.

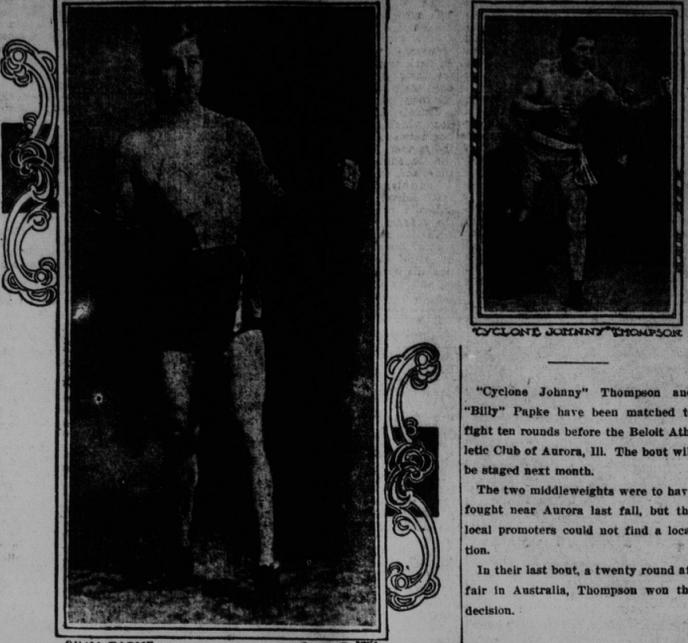
Mr. Curtis is extremely keen on seeing some prizes offered for hydro-aeroplane contests on the Riviera, but he wonders whether sufficient money will be forthcoming. He states that he may go to Paris before making flights at Cannes.

HOCKEY GUIDE.
The St. John Hockey Club has issued a booklet giving the names of players, the league schedules and rules of the game.

The players' names are given with numbers and the men will appear on the ice with their numbers on their sweaters, giving strangers and those not personally familiar with the players an opportunity to distinguish the men.

The booklet can be obtained at the games.

"BILLY" PAPKE AND "CYCLONE JOHNNY" THOMPSON TO BATTLE



"Cyclone Johnny" Thompson and "Billy" Papke have been matched to fight ten rounds before the Beloit Athletic Club of Aurora, Ill. The bout will be staged next month.

The two middleweights were to have fought near Aurora last fall, but the local promoters could not find a location.

In their last bout, a twenty round affair in Australia, Thompson won the decision.

SPORTOGRAPHY "GRAVY" Pugilistic Crop Favors Certain Localities.

It is strange, but it is true, that pugilists seem to develop best in certain localities and cities, and one could almost count on the fingers the places that have been prolific producers of mighty men of the ring. Going back to the early days of the game, take the case of Bristol. It isn't and wasn't much of a city, compared with many others in England, but it turned out a dozen or more great fighters. No less than four of the early champions of the ring—George Meggs, Jim Belcher, Henry Pearce and Gully—were Bristol men. Later Ireland became a pugilistic producing centre, and turned out many dashing fighters, but of late the Emerald Isle has gone back in that regard.

In the early days of American pugilism, Troy, N. Y., although a comparatively small city, produced a crop of boxers that has never been excelled. John Morrissey, the great heavyweight champion, worked on the docks and in the foundries of that town, and as a deckhand on a Troy steambot. John C. Heenan, the first American to win the heavyweight championship of the world, was a Troy blacksmith. Paddy Ryan, the predecessor of John L. Sullivan, was another Trojan, and so was Mike Lucie. Troy was also one of the pioneer cities to take up baseball, and

AMERICANS WINNERS AT MELBOURNE JAPANESE COLLEGIANS NINE TO FOUR

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 26.—American athletes today scored three wins and one tie in the track events at the championship meeting of the Amateur Association.

Geo. L. Parker, the Californian sprinter won 220 yards flat championship in 22½ seconds and also the 440 yards flat championship in 51 2/5 seconds.

James Powers, of the Boston, A. A., won the mile championship in 4 minutes 25 4/5 seconds, while the pole vault championship was a tie between R. Templeton of the Olympic Club, San Francisco, and Mr. Brake of Victoria, Australia, who both went eleven feet.

THIS DATE IN RING ANNALS

1905—Joe Jeannette knocked out Black Bill in 7th round. Black Bill has long been one of the principal meat tickets of Jeannette, and Jack Johnson used to find him useful as an opponent. Tradition has it that there was once a great negro fighter who called himself Black Bill, but it is suspected that Jeannette's meat ticket is not the original. At any rate, the record of the Hoboken black man is plentifully sprinkled with opponents who, at least, were black, and called themselves Bill. Joe has seldom had any trouble in whipping the mysterious brunettes William but a time or two Bill got a draw.

1892—Cal McCarthy defeated Tom Callaghan in 14 rounds at New Orleans.

1912—Chuck Ross received fatal injuries in a bout with Gallor Smith at Brooklyn.

1913—Owen Moran and Jim Driscoll fought 20-round draw at London.

CROSS BIGGER PURSE WINNER THAN RITCHEE LOCAL CURLING YESTERDAY

In speaking of the boxing purse winners Leach Cross is spoken of as being a bigger purse winner than Joe Rivers. Leach has made more money in the ring during the past twelve months than Willie Ritchie, who is known far and wide as the classiest little 133-pound boxer in captivity.

Cross made close to \$50,000 performing within the hemp ropes during the past twelve months, while Ritchie did not earn more than \$21,000. Ritchie made quite a little "easy money" showing on the stage, but the purses he received for boxing were few and far between.

During 1912 Cross fought fifteen times, while Ritchie only donned the padded gloves on two occasions. Leach received from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for each whirl in which he engaged. Ritchie fought Joe Rivers on the Coast last July and received \$15,000 for his services, while he got \$6,000 for exchanging blows with Leach Cross in New York.

Cross boxed once or twice a month during 1913. He met all comers, and did not try to pick his opponents. He fought Joe Rivers three times, "Young" Shugrue twice, Jimmy Duffy, Joe Mandot, Harry Trendall, Johnny Dohan, Teddy Maloney, "Bud" Anderson, Matty Baldwin, "Young" Brown and Willie Ritchie.

Leach's success is due to his knowledge of ring craft and his remarkable strength. His ring generalship has enabled him to avoid punishment, while his famous right-hand punch has usually slowed up his opponents in a few rounds. Cross has, of course, been very fortunate in escaping serious injuries.

Ritchie on the other hand, has proved a hard luck champion. He has been hurt a number of times, and always before important bouts. The "Frisco boy" has shown like a real champion in the few contests he has engaged in. He made Joe Rivers quit on the Coast, while he outboxed Cross in New York.

CLARK GRIFFITH A WISE ONE

Clark Griffith, the champion of the world in the matter of swapping ball players, is getting wise in his old age. It is now announced that he has determined never to make another attempt to strengthen his team by purchasing players that other major league teams are willing to sell.

No baseball manager ever swapped or bought more major league ball players than Griffith in his career as manager of the Chicago, New York and Washington clubs of the American League and Cincinnati of the National League. And no manager has been "stung" worse than Griffith.

"Grif" was always willing to pay the price (price furnished by the owner of the club), asked for any old job lot of has-beens a rival manager wanted to get rid of. "Grif" always had the idea he could handle the bad actors, or make the old ones "room back."

In all his swaps and buys "Grif" hardly ever picked a man that was of any use to him. On the other hand, he has picked some prize lemons in his time.

He thought he could make Bill Burns pitch winning ball. He was the only manager in the country that thought so. Bill was the pitcher that used to go to sleep on the bench between innings. Bill also will be remembered as a man who never handled a bunt in his life. "Grif" got him and began to pitch him regularly. And the other fellows began to bunt regularly. Finally "Grif" let him go.

TRUE BILL IN FRAUD CASE

Toronto, Jan. 26.—The grand jury today found a true bill against the following charged with conspiracy to defraud in connection with the Union Life Insurance Company: H. Pellman Evans, president; Henry Symons, K.C., George E. Millican and F. G. Hughes, directors. A second true bill was found against Evans and Symons under a similar charge. The charge specified that from 1902 they had conspired to defraud by misrepresenting the value of shares in the National Agency and its connection with the Union Life.

The names were called in court three times and no reply being made Holford Ardagh asked Judge Latchford to issue a bench warrant which was done.

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