

EASY FOR SLAVIN

Who Puts Devine Out When He Thinks the Time Ripe

WHICH WAS IN THE FOURTH ROUND

This Big Australian Had It All His Own Way

FROM BEGINNING TO FINISH.

Largest Crowd Ever Seen in Savoy—Devine Not a Member of Slavin's Class.

The expected happened last night and Slavin won easily from Devine in the fourth round. To the uninitiated it would appear as though Devine was the easiest kind of a mark after the way Slavin handed it to him last night, but he was easy only by comparison for very few give the big Australian credit for the ability which he possesses. The truth is that there are few men in the country today, and in all probability none of his age who have any reason to win a ten-round glove contest from the big Australian. He has a terrific punch in both right and left and is remarkably swift, far more so than at first glance one would give him credit for. Combined with these is his knowledge of the game which makes him a most dangerous man and a possible winner in a contest with any man. The only point in which he does not reach the top class is in the slowness of his foot work. In that regard he is out-classed by nearly all pugilists of the present day.

Devine's weight when he entered the ring was given as 178 pounds and Slavin's as 185.

Ed O'Donnell acted as referee, Lyons as timekeeper. The Australian was seconded by Caribou Sinclair, Al Smith and Sam Matthews. Devine had in his corner Rafael and Case.

Baron Von Spitzel held the watch for Devine and Maxie Heifbruner officiated in the same capacity for Slavin. The Savoy was packed to the doors, all seats being sold, even standing room being refused at the box office. The receipts of the fight was in the neighborhood of \$2500 of which 25 per cent went to the house, the other 75 per cent being divided, 25 per cent to the loser and 75 per cent to the winner, which gives Slavin for his 15 minutes' work about \$1400, besides his share in the side bet of \$1000 which was to be won in the event of Devine going out inside of seven rounds.

Prior to the opening of hostilities Bates the trainer of Devine challenged him (Devine) whether he lost or won the fight. After that challenges were hurled by a coterie of bread winners anxious for a grub stake.

Slavin, as usual, appeared promptly on time chewing a wad of gum and was received with cheers. Devine followed soon after and was also welcomed with hearty applause. It was then agreed by the principles that both hands should be free when blows were delivered in the clinches with a clean break away at the call of the referee.

At the call of time Slavin stepped quickly to the center of the ring, Devine giving way to his corner where both men sparred for an opening. Slavin making a light lead with his left, Devine rushing with a wild swing and landing light on Slavin's neck, followed by a clinch. After breaking Slavin drove in left and right on body followed by another left. Clinch followed. Slavin feinted with right, Devine ducked and Slavin upper-cut with left; then clinch. Both men here mix it up and cries of foul came from Devine's corner. Slavin after a break swings left and misses, Devine ducking. Slavin drove in right on body and upper-cuts with left jarring Devine badly although the full impact of the blow was not received, he guarding with his right. Time.

Subsequent work on the part of Slavin showed that in this round he was carefully sizing up his opponent and reserv-

ing his steam for future work when he found Devine's weak point. This he discovered to be in Devine's drop of head and body to avoid his right which Slavin in subsequent rounds took advantage of, upper cutting with his left and catching his man repeatedly.

In the second Slavin opened the round with a left upper-cut, followed by a left and right hook, then drove in left on jaw. Devine got in left on jaw; Slavin followed with a stiff right arm jolt, then left on jaw, and two left upper cuts. Devine swung left and missed, Slavin coming back with a left upper-cut, followed by a right swing which caught his adversary on the head staggering Devine who gained his position with evident effort. Again Slavin upper-cut with the left and time was called. At the end of this round the fight was evidently Slavin's who could at any time have put his man out at will.

At the call of time in the third the Australian drove in both right and left which was followed by a clinch, then upper-cut with his left, which Devine's head back with a snap. He stood the jab all right and came back with a wild swing. Slavin then threw in two more heavy upper-cuts, catching his man each time as he ducked and then driving in a terrific right for the kidneys which lifted his man off his feet.

Devine came back with a left swing, landing lightly on the jaw, which was followed by two heavy rights on body by Slavin. After sparring for wind Devine made a feint and Slavin drove in a heavy body blow, followed by a left upper-cut and right on wind. Here Devine threw out a straight left which caught Slavin in the mouth and elicited immense applause. Time.

During the one minute rest Caribou was heard to ask Slavin to get in and finish Devine. "Have you any money on it?" asked the big fellow. Caribou replied that he had a bunch of money on four rounds. "All right I'll get the money for you," Slavin answered and at the call of time he turned himself loose for the first time, avoiding, however, a chance blow from his opponent. The opening of this round was a duplication of the work in previous rounds, save that each blow had behind it the full force of Slavin's strength which drove Devine to the floor where he stayed until the count of eight. Devine on getting to his feet drove in a left on the jaw which started Slavin after him like a hurricane raining furious blows on his man, who found it impossible to resist the onslaught. A heavy body blow with Slavin's left followed by a right on the jugular brought Devine to the floor physically worn out, but not knocked out, as he had his head with him and after counting ten Devine was declared out and Slavin the winner.

This morning Devine is suffering considerably from the punishment inflicted and it is thought one or more of his ribs are broken from the terrific blows of the Australian's right.

CREEK NEWS ITEMS.

Late Happenings on Eldorado and Bonanza.

Mr. Dan Donovan, of Poverty bar, has undergone a successful operation on the outside and his many friends will be glad to learn that he is again on the way into Dawson.

One of the finest nuggets yet found on the creeks was the one found on C. W. Robertson's claim on Gold Hill. The nugget weighed nearly ten ounces. Mr. Bense purchased the Acme restaurant of Mr. Barnes on 1 above Bonanza on last Saturday.

Mr. Frank Larsen has just returned from North Yakima, Wash.

The finest ice obtainable is that now being cut by Mr. Milligan, of 21 above Bonanza, from the big glacier just above his roadhouse.

Mr. M. E. Oleson, who has just returned from his home on the outside is getting his claim in fine working order, having just placed a new 30-horse power boiler and other machinery on his claim on Oro Fino hill. Mr. Oleson will work 25 men the coming season.

Mr. Gibbs, foreman on the Miles-McKenzie claim on Magnet is laid up with a felon on his left hand.

Mrs. A. S. Peterson, of Gold Hill, is confined to her room with pneumonia.

Mr. Frank Belcher, of 23 Eldorado is laid up with a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Tom Jones, jr., of 22 below Bonanza, gave an enjoyable dance at his roadhouse to his many friends last Friday evening. One of the most laughable affairs on the program was the wondrous quadrille, participated in by

Burgess Hall, king of Queen's gulch; T. H. Brooks, D. A. McCaskill and Geo. Fitzpatrick. Tom and his sister, Miss Annie, closed the evening's festivities with a regular old Irish jig. Those present were, Messrs. and Mesdames Smith, White, Barnes, Monroe, Blodgett and Roedel; Misses Oleson, Barnes, Johnson and Jones; Mesdames Tipp, McDonald and Davis; Messrs. Taylor, McCaskill, Nicholson, Carroll, Swanson, Rigger, Wise, Hall, Brooks, McKay and McElroy.

Morgan Is Insured.

New York, Feb. 26.—It seems strange to American ears to hear that English investors have taken out over twenty millions of insurance on the life of J. Piermont Morgan. It is in this way that the investors and speculators of the other side have acted to protect themselves against a panic should be suddenly die. Amazed, if not frightened, by the tremendous interest which recent events have placed in the control of this one man, the men interested in the diversified concerns so included have taken to this method of protection against panic. From the appearance of Mr. Morgan today the timid investors need have little fear but that he will live many years. He has never been in better health than now and although his "expectancy of life" according to mortuary tables is about 11 years, still he has every indication of 25 years more to his credit. Nevertheless London advices say that the insurance companies there have written in the neighborhood of twenty millions of dollars in policies on Mr. Morgan. This form of insurance is totally unknown in this country, but has attained a considerable vogue on the other side. In achieving the distinction Mr. Morgan has been marked by the English people as the king of the financial world. Even the insurance on his life exceeds that on the life of the late queen. Persons who profited by her death and who would lose business by her death insured her for their benefit for about \$2,000,000, but on the life of the American financier the figures run to ten times those on her life.

All of this insuring has been done absolutely without the knowledge of Mr. Morgan for under this form of policies an examination of the person insured, which could not be had in any event, is dispensed with, the persons seeking the policies paying additional fees for that cause. Whereas the premiums on policies on his life would run about 1 per cent a month were he himself to make the application and submit to an examination, the premiums on the policies issued under the English system average at about 3 per cent a month. Therefore, persons taking out those policies pay in to the companies the entire amount they would receive in the short space of three years. However, few of the policies so taken out are for a period longer than one to three months. They are solely for the purpose of protecting persons speculating in "Morgan" securities from serious losses through his sudden death and when the size of Morgan holdings in England is considered it is not remarkable that the speculators there desire this protection. He is in control of the Southern, the Erie, the Lehigh Valley, the Reading and the Jersey Central railroads, brought into the combination the Pennsylvania Coal Company and the Mobile and Ohio and even with his last move in the Carnegie Company was not so closely bound that he could not find time and money to take in big blocks of St. Paul stock. On this side of the Atlantic investors and speculators are not worrying about Mr. Morgan's death and probably would not take out insurance on him if they could.

Skeletons Found in Cave.

Alpine, Texas, Feb. 25.—While prospecting for quicksilver in the Chicos mountains near the Rio Grande, 75 miles southwest of here, a party of Americans discovered a large cave, in which were lying side by side the skeletons of 26 men. Further explorations of the cave revealed several copper and stone utensils and crude mining tools. Stamped or cut into one of the stone jars was the name "Narvaez," and the figures 1526.

This discovery has awakened the greatest interest among the people of this section who are familiar with the early history of this part of the country, and it is considered almost conclusive proof that the skeletons are those of members of the historical Narvaez expedition, which was shipwrecked on Malhado island, near Galveston island, in about 1535.

Narvaez and 80 men came to the new world from Spain on an expedition of exploration and in search of gold. He and many of his followers perished in the vicinity of Galveston island, and the remainder of the party, led by Cabeza de Vaca, started westward in the fall of 1535, and four of them, in-

cluding Cabeza de Vaca, finally reached California.

Bahcroft and other historians have differed widely as to what route Cabeza de Vaca and his party followed on their trip to California, but the discovery of the skeletons, together with the relics bearing the name of Narvaez, and the date 1526, is almost conclusive proof that they belonged to the ill-fated expedition, and that they went to California by the southern route.

The skeletons are in a remarkably good state of preservation, and several of them have been brought to Alpine. The cave will be further explored in the search for other historical relics. It is supposed that the men either died of hunger or were massacred by Indians.

Stages Crowded.

The C. D. stage arrived last evening bringing a large consignment of letter and paper mail and the following passengers: Mr. Hartman, Mr. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. McGuire, and C. Urran. Owing to the heaviness of the trail caused by the recent windstorm the stage was 24 hours behind schedule time and it was only by very hard work that it arrived as soon as it did.

The stage left for Whitehorse this morning carrying Messrs. Higgins, of the Armour Packing Co., of Chicago; Lindsay, of the A. E. Co.; Turner, of the customs office; Baine, of the board of public works; Clarke, of Clarke & Ryan; Dr. Cleveland and Mrs. E. P. Long.

Robertson's stage left for Whitehorse today, carrying as passengers I. P. Mizony, E. P. Shaw, John Smith, A. J. Kallen, Cas Walser, Mrs. S. C. Issett and Mrs. Sherman Dewey.

Humbert's Palaces.

King Humbert of Italy is burdened with many palaces to keep up, which takes two-thirds of his civil list allowance of \$3,800,000 a year. He is going to sell a number of them, according to the London News, including the palaces at Genoa, Milan, Capodimonte and Palermo; the country seats at Val Tournanche, on the south slope of the Matterhorn and at Vnadio, in Piedmont, and all the domain property in the former kingdom of the Two Sicilies. He will retain the royal palaces at Turin, Venice and Naples and the country seats at Monza, near Milan; at Val Savaranche, in the Alps, and at Castelporziano. With the money from the sale of the rest he will rebuild the palace on the Quirinal. He will propose besides that the amount of the civil list be reduced.

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