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In World of Sport ENGLAND IS LOOKING FOR A CHAMPION HEAVYWEIGHT

A Real Boxer who can Beat the Best of them is what is wanted now—An expectation that he may be found either in the Army or Navy

London, Eng., March 30.—It would seem as if boxing, which, like old fashioned prize fighting, has been under a cloud in this country for a long time, is not only to be revived, but taken up again with real enthusiasm.

For years there have been two workmen's clubs in one of the lowest slum districts of the east end of London, where boxing could be witnessed nightly under conditions which pleased enthusiastic followers of prize fighting of the good old style. Those American visitors who are fond of slumming frequently visited these pugilistic dens.

Heretofore the police have winked at the happenings in these fighting rings, but owing to reports that several men have been punished within an inch of death, a stop is to be put to the so-called glove boxing. The police also have been instructed to carefully watch all boxing held under auspices of recognized sports clubs with a view of putting an end to prize fighting.

It is a long time since the pugilists have been regarded in this country as heroes. In the old days Peter Jackson was known as a gentleman. Lord Byron's testimony as to his character is likely to be read long after many excellent dissertations against boxing are forgotten. Another pugilist, Gully, sat in Parliament, and Thomas Cribb and Winter who playfully fought

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"All the time Burns weaves his way through his opponent's guard. Then he gets a sharp jab very quickly. In all his hits his hands only travel a very short distance. In his fight with Moly it was said that he butted, but he did not such thing. It was only the way in which he got his head down and in close to his opponent's body."

"I believe in Burns myself. He is one of the cleanest fighters I have ever seen. His training, too, is done in the right way. One can see there that his desire is to get supple and quick, and his English gloves are too stiff in the thumb. That is only one point, of course, but it shows how thoroughly scientific Americans are."

CAPE BRETON HOCKEYISTS SUSPENDED FOR PLAYING FREDERICTON CAPITALS

Sydney, N. S., March 31.—The Cape Breton Athletic Union held its first annual meeting tonight. Secretary Robb reported that 374 registrations had been received from amateur athletes. The suspensions include those of the Sydney hockey club and Glace Bay, for playing with the Fredericton Capitals after the latter had been professionally by the M. P. A. A. A. A resolution was passed asking the M. P. A. A. A. to reinstate the teams thirty days from date.

NOTES OF SPORTS

Harry Black has received a challenge to play for the silver trophy recently captured by the St. John men. The challenge will be accepted.

An interesting game of basketball took place in St. Stephen's church school room last evening when the Portland intermediate team defeated the St. John's Y. M. A. intermediate by a score of 27-7.

The Newman Brooks defeated the Yaguans by fifty pins in Black's bowling league series last night. The winners are now sure of second place at least and are only one game behind the leaders. On Thursday evening the Beavers and Minnows will play. The monthly roll-off will be held on Friday evening, when three strings will be played instead of one.

PATRICK'S COMPLIMENT.

Norah (tossing her head)—"Sure, Mike sent me such a letter last night, that I was the proudest colleen in the room. 'Pat (instructively)—'Ah, dar, but, I could see that wid my eyes shut.'"

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BOARD OF WORKS FAVORS CITY CORNET BAND PROPOSAL

Mr. Connolly is Heard—Band Have \$700 Already Subscribed—Market Wharf Tolls Not Given Out to Tender, But Present System Will Be Continued.

At a meeting of the board of works last evening the request of the City Cornet band for permission to erect a stand over the fountain in King square was recommended to the council. The question of changes in the new wharf was referred to the west side committee with the recorder. Ald. McDougal presided, and with the exception of Ald. Baskin and Christie the full board was present.

Creston avenue residents petitioned to have the street incorporated. The director was empowered, with H. G. Hunter to make a survey and define the limits of the street. It was also decided to have several other streets surveyed.

A request from James Carleton for a retaining wall near his property in Guys ward, was referred to Ald. Baskin.

Jarvis Wilson, for S. K. Wilson, wrote complaining of unjust discrimination in top wharfage in regard to timber shipped at Sand Point. He claimed that his firm had shipped 1,138 tons this season, and had been charged 10 cents a ton, whereas the charge for 480 superficial feet of sawn lumber equivalent to a ton of timber was also charged 10 cents.

On motion of Ald. Baxter it was recommended that from April 1, the rate for loading timber from scows at the side of steamers should be 5 cents a ton.

A motion of Ald. Hamlin to erect steps to continue either Peel or Prince William street to Pond street, was referred to the alderman and director.

Ald. Sprague called attention to the condition of Murray street. The director said the street was not incorporated, and the matter was left with the director to have it surveyed.

Ald. Sprague called attention to the necessity of repairing the lower end of Portland street. This was left to the chairman. Ald. Sprague and the director. Tenders for the collection of the tolls for the North and South market wharves were opened. F. B. Belyea offered \$1,500 or to collect for 15 per cent. He offered James and George Gorham as his securities. John Jackson and C. M. Kerrison each offered to collect for 10 per cent.

F. D. Alward said he collected \$2,305.95 last year. He was not anxious to continue.

Some discussion on the question of delegating the work to Geo. McKinney in the chamberlain's office took place. The ground was taken by several aldermen that Mr. McKinney could not be spared from his work at city hall. Ald. Pickett moved Mr. McKinney be employed. It

was decided on an amendment of Ald. Baxter that Mr. Alward should continue for the present and that a committee should look into the whole question of collection of harbor revenues.

William Downie wrote for a settlement of the claim of the C. P. R. for \$8,140.65 for loss in connection with the falling in of Union street and for pile driving.

Ald. Bullock mentioned that if all claims were paid the total expense, including the city's work in repairs, would amount to \$38,000.

The communication was referred to the west side committee with the recorder. The question of changes in the wharf extension on the west side was referred to the west side committee with the recorder.

James Connolly, representing the City Cornet Band, was heard with reference to the proposed band stand in King square. He said \$700 had already been subscribed and there would be no difficulty in raising the \$2,000 required. He read a letter from the secretary of the public gardens, Halifax, to the effect that the commissioners had found the stand there a great benefit and that at no time had the public injured the grass or flower beds. Mr. Connolly hoped to complete the stand by May 24.

After considerable discussion Ald. Baxter moved that the matter be referred to a committee to report on the conditions under which the stand would be built and that the mayor be requested to select a site and report to the council.

Ald. Hamlin moved an amendment that Mr. Connolly's request be complied with. The amendment was carried without objection.

The director was authorized to call for tenders for 225 barrels of asphalt, 600 barrels of coal tar, 50 cords of hard wood, and by the load, 100 tons of reserve run of mine coal for the street roller and crusher and fifteen tons for the dredger scow if necessary.

On the question of calling for tenders for curbing, Ald. Pickett said he was opposed to tearing up old streets to lay curbing. He favored devoting the money to more asphalt work except in the case of new sidewalks.

The director agreed that under existing conditions the money would be better expended in asphalt. Tenders were not called for.

The board then adjourned.

FRANK NOWLAN FOUND IN WOODS DEAD AFTER DRINKING BOUT

Body Frozen in Sitting Posture Against a Tree—With Two Others He Went Out Near Golf Links Sunday to Drink Two Bottles of Liquor—He Stayed After Others Left—An Inquest Will Be Held.

That the wages of sin is death, is forcibly illustrated by the tragic ending of Frank Nowlan, who, deserted by his drinking comrades on Sunday evening, succumbed to exposure and was found lifeless about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by a searching party in the woods back of McKeith's field, in the vicinity of the golf links.

The police were notified and after the coroner had viewed the body it was removed to the morgue. An inquest will be held.

Frank Nowlan was well known to the police, as his name has been on the police record a number of times during the past year on drunkenness charges. On Sunday afternoon Nowlan, Frank and Robert King, taking two bottles of liquor went out to the woods where the body was found yesterday, and all were drinking. According to Robert King's story, Frank King left first while Nowlan and himself were pretty well intoxicated.

King remembers that he left Nowlan and managed to get home unaided. He says he fell in the doorway of his home and

was put to bed, forgetting to say anything about Nowlan. On Monday afternoon, he says, he went to Nowlan's home in Delhi street and asked about him, and Nowlan's brother assured him that Frank would be all right and for him not to worry.

Yesterday, however, Thomas Wendall, who, had been working with King and Nowlan at Longshore work on the Long wharf, suggested to King that they should take a walk out where the three had been on Sunday.

Accompanied by Edward Maher, Wendall and King went out and looked about. Wendall was the first to catch sight of the dead man. Nowlan had died sitting up with his hands folded in front of him, and his back against the tree as if he had fallen asleep. There were no marks on him, but he was frozen stiff.

Policeman James Coyne was notified and through him Coroner Berryman, as Dr. Roberts, in whose jurisdiction the matter rested, is out of town. The body was taken to the morgue in an express wagon. Nowlan leaves two brothers and several sisters.

COUNSEL IN INTERESTING TILTS IN HEARING OF DR. SPANGLER CASE

The taking of evidence in the Dr. Spangler case was finished in the police court yesterday afternoon, and argument will be heard on Friday at 2:15 o'clock. The session yesterday was marked by some lively remarks by counsel.

The examination of Dr. Stewart Skinner was concluded and Dr. J. P. McInerney and Dr. Murray MacLaren were called as expert witnesses. They were examined on the same points as was Dr. Skinner. Both testified that Dr. Spangler's treatment of Messrs. Clinch and Raymond was the practice of surgery.

Mr. Hazen sought to bring out that medicine was essential to the practice of medicine and that Dr. Spangler had made no diagnosis. In cross-examining Dr. McInerney, Mr. Hazen made the remark: "It is hard to get a direct answer from a medical man. They are likely to go off on a tangent."

Recorder Skinner here interposed that Mr. Hazen had no right to insult a witness. Mr. Hazen replied that the witness did not consider himself insulted. "Well, he ought to be," said the recorder.

"He is not so sensitive as you are," retorted Mr. Hazen.

"I do not believe in being personal in my remarks," continued the recorder, "but I think Mr. Hazen is going too far when he insults a witness. Whether or not I am sensitive, is none of his business."

Clarence W. DeForest testified that he had been treated by Dr. Spangler during the last two weeks. He had fallen over a curbing stone and injured his shoulder. Dr. Spangler had treated him by twisting his arm and working his shoulder. Dr. Spangler had made no examination.

During cross-examination of this witness, there was another lively encounter. Recorder Skinner claimed that Mr. Hazen repeated in asking a question when an objection was taken. "Mr. Hazen's method is almost unbearable," said Mr. Skinner.

"I am surprised at my learned friend," replied Mr. Hazen, "although this trial he has interrupted me continually and has displayed a petulance and a nastiness which I have never before seen exhibited in a court of law."

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ANOTHER LIBERAL M. P. UNDER FIRE AT OTTAWA

Mr. Stewart Charged With Violating Independence of Parliament

Opposition Allege He Has Been Receiving Money for Insurance Premiums from Various Departments—Laurier Not Sure He Has Done Wrong—Budget Debate Resumed.

Ottawa, March 31.—In the house today Mr. Owen, Northumberland, called attention to a paragraph in an American newspaper, which purported to give an interview with Charles Eaton who was reported to have stated that transatlantic traffic between Great Britain and Canada was controlled by a combination of shipping companies, who forced up rates.

Mr. Fielding said that a royal commission was appointed some time ago to look after shipping rings. It was still sitting. Canada appointed a representative to look after the interests of Canada. He was the assistant receiver general at Halifax. There was so little doing that affected Canada that the Canadian representative was allowed to return home and the Canadian high commissioner appointed one from his office to look after Canadian interests.

Dr. Sproule read a circular asking that steps be taken to amend the shipping regulations, dealing with bills of lading. He thought the government should deal with this.

Mr. Fielding said that a bill was now before the senate dealing with the subject. The house went into committee of ways and means to consider two resolutions submitted by Mr. Fielding, one confirming appropriations already made for the fiscal year amounting to \$5,319,655, and the other

two items for the coming year, one for \$4,583,415, and another for \$11,216,403.

Mr. Taylor wanted to know whether it was right that Mr. Stewart, senator member for Ottawa, should be paid by the government for Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company premiums. He referred to certain cheques which had been paid to R. Stewart & Sons and considered there had been a violation of independence of parliament.

Mr. Stewart explained that cheques referred to were for renewal of insurances, a large part of which had been placed twenty-five years ago with the Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, whose agent he was. Some additional policies had been taken out by the public works department after 1883 but before 1902, but all insurance had been placed with his company before he entered parliament.

R. L. Borden wanted to know whether the policies were renewable annually and whether his firm received a commission.

Sir Wilfrid did not think Stewart guilty of any wrong doing.

Mr. Alcorn maintained that Stewart was not only disqualified but liable to a fine of \$200 for every day he sat in parliament.

The partial supply bill was reported, after which Schell of Oxford resumed the budget debate.

CONSERVATIVE CLUB IN BROOKS WARD FORMED

At a meeting last evening the Brooks Ward Conservative Club was formed with Norman P. MacLeod, chairman; Alfred Burley, secretary-treasurer, and a managing committee consisting of the chairman and secretary and Wm. J. Smith, Geo. Cobham, Lauchlan McVicar, Wm. J. Davis, Samuel Watters and Charles E. Hughes. The club has rooms in the old N. B. Southern railway office building.

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