al will bridge not be a serie from the the fet that he had world ret wish to see Heeman beaten, it and known that through too frequently in table, be was in no condition to lock after the though King was interests of mighody interests of mixbody. Though King was a teal out of time for several min-ners and Henan two or three times. waker to the cratch in response to the as not once commathe fight for him, though parcel to do so by Heenan's friends. Of course it we not licenan's place to put in a claim, as a choint of he p were as he was, he probto so a an east already. Dut King, who had been cam day nurses, at last faced his man, and top no regaining his strongth while Heenan fell country of the latter at his mery, are a commistored frightful pumishment, very atta of which the American need have received had any such compact us that one alluded to been entered into We, for these and other reaches among them, a firm behof in John Herran's honor and courage—cannot behave treat what Jack McDonald so positively asserts 1- time, and we fear that the latter has injured himself more by taking this course than 11 he had maintained a silence which there was really Lie I maintained a silence which there was really no coession to break. So long as the statement has been published, however, we trust that such step may be taken as will tend to corroborate to an introve the same, hoping that the result of the an intion will be a clearing up of the mystery which has surrounded a light in which something is universally believed to have been wrong. The names of the parties now living who are asserted by McDonald to have been cognizant of the alleged " self-out " should in justice be given, in order that we may get at euch bottom facts as may exist.

Since the foregoing was in type we have re-ceived The (London) Referee of Jan. 27, in which we find the following manly comments by the editor, ' Pendragon :

· I have no hesitation in saying that the letter an infamous concoction. The writer, who remained silent during the life of the man whom he now assails, though openly accused of treachery by that man and his friends, tries to make capital for himself by blackening the character of the dead. It will be remembered that Mc-Donald and Sayers seconded Heenan, and that, of coarse, the direction of affairs in Heenan's corner by with McDonald, Sayers being about the weist second, I suppose, that ever was seen in a ring for an important battle. Admitting, for the sake of argument, that this statement is true, why does McOonald, tell only half the story? He must have been a party to the transaction, or why, when king was cat of time so long, did he not go to the referee and claim the battle? I have heard that of the school of the referee and claim the battle? that official declare he sat waiting to be asked to give the light to Beenan, and that he wondered at the time why the fight was nover claimed, as le would have had no alternative but to declare at once that King had lost. And as it was Mc I maid a duty to see that his man scratched at the expiration of 30 sec., and that no more than an additional 8 sec. was allowed the opposition, how does he account for not having done this? Ituat there was foul play has been my belief ever since the day, and I have never scrupled to say still fancy he was the sold. When King was brought to, Housan seemed quite groggy, and mover made any show afterwards, while the manner in which he came up and struggled s, aimst nature and against fate, though he was knocked down round after round, is in itself sufficient proof to me that he was no consenting party to the peferious business that without doubt had been done. This is a difficult subject to deal with in print, but there is no doubt in my mind that Heenan was drugged during the tune king was commtose; who did the work I will leave my readers to judge for them-selves. There was much talk of aconite at the time; and if the matter did not get into the papers it was because the sporting press was then by no means as it is now, and because interested endeavors were made to keep the matter dark. But there is even more damning evidence against Mr. McDonald's story than anything I have said. After the fight Heenan openly accused this man of having acted unfairly towards him, and generally treated him as a traiter. Why, then, did not Mr. McDonald make a clean breast of the transaction? I am sure he would not have remained quiet under the infliction he complained so much about at the time, had he

known what he professes to know now. There is an old proverb, that when rogues fall out houset mon learn what ought to have been their

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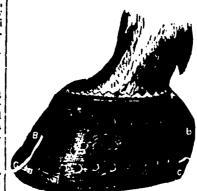
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