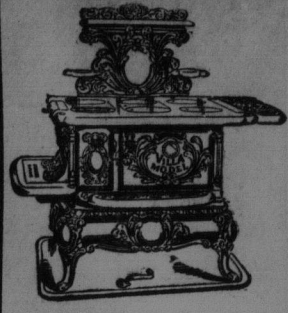


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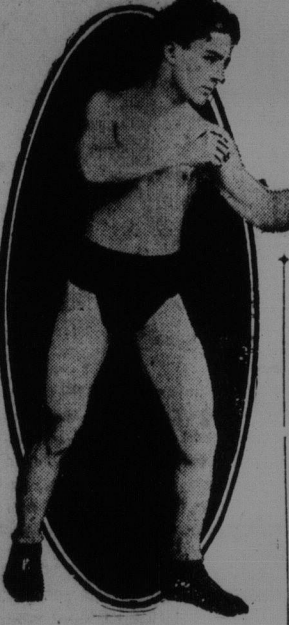
Here you are, right off the bat, step up and look while you have the opportunity. Only picture in captivity of "Puncher" Fred Clarke.
Clarke is shown at his favorite pastime when on the ranch near Winfield, Kan., where for the past few years he spent his time when not grooming the Pirates for the National League pennant. But no more chasing over sloughs

RECORD GOES IN CITY LEAGUE

Two H's Take All Four Points From Insurance Men and Incidentally Set New Mark for League--Other Games.

The feature of last evening's match on Black's bowling alleys was the enormous score rolled up by the Two H's team, which aggregation smashed the league record and incidentally annexed all four points from the insurance quintette who were previously looked upon as invincible. The H's simply rolled a championship game and now promise to make the leaders hustle to retain their position. Although the insurance men rolled an ordinarily good game, they were hopelessly outclassed. The former league record was held by the Tigers with the score of 1372. This was beaten by 9 sticks which is some class bowling, to say the least.
Law was the star of the evening, chopping down 101 timbers in the second and third string and romping off with an average of 99. The rest of the team rolled a strong consistent game, the lowest man having the fine average of 86.13.
For the insurance quintette "Bob" Atchison was the genuine article negotiating with 273 pins with the average of 91. Gregory also rolled well with 88 chalked opposite his initials.
The scores were:
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NO HOCKEY LEAGUE IS LIKELY NOW

Although an official bulletin issued from Charlottetown by Secretary McMillan, of the M. P. A. A., gives the sanction of that association to the St. John hockey league to hold scheduled matches, it is altogether improbable that a league will be organized.

WHO HELPS JEFF TRAIN

Jim Corbett, Say the Fans, After Passing Over a Bunch of Likely Ones--His Qualifications.

New York, March 2.—Who is going to "handle" Jim Jeffries in the big fight?
The sports are beginning to ask this question because the handling may have an important bearing on the result. Competent advice has helped many a fighter to win his battle—bad advice has nominated many a loser.
Nearly all the great managers of fighters, from Billy Madden down to Billy Nolan have been men of quick wit and keen perceptive powers. Nearly every one of them has been a young man of his years, he can talk and give advice to the man who was doing the fighting. The man who fights cannot see everything; the fellow in the corner, if he has had the requisite amount of experience, follows the trend of battle closely and knows what ought to be done, whether he can get his principal to do it or not.
Samuel Berger is known as Jeff's pugilistic representative, yet it does not seem likely that Samuel will be in Jim's corner in an advisory capacity. Sam can count money as well as any young man of his years, he can also figure interest and discount; he can string a newspaper man sometimes and get away with it, but Sammy as chief second to a champion? Not with a telescope. Sam is a trifle temperamental for the part. Jeff won't want to hear anything about the honor of the "caw-cashin' race" next July the fourth.

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Defeat Crescents by Score of 6-1 in Second Game of Championship Series, Tying for Title.

Halifax, Mar. 2.—Some fifteen hundred hockey enthusiasts assembled at the Arena tonight to witness the second game between the Crescents and North Sydney Victorias, for the professional championship of the Maritime Provinces.
With a lead of five goals the result of Tuesday's 5-3 victory for the Crescents, to overcome, the Victorias started in to accomplish what was generally conceded to be the impossible, but Charlie Thompson's all star aggregation, actually reduced the count to even terms, pulling out a 6 to 1 victory and making the score for the two games, Crescents, 9; Victorias, 9.

NEW CHAMP STANDS ALONE

So Declares Bill Bailey After Surveying Respective Merits of Wolgast, Owen Moran and Murphy.

Boston, March 2.—Bill Bailey writing in the Post says:
Tommy Murphy won the decision over Owen Moran, but there was complete satisfaction with the decision.
Disputed decisions, it appears, are not limited to short bouts. Even over the 20-round distance there is a chance for dispute, although it does look from here as if that ought to be long enough, in all conscience, for one man to show up superior form.
We can gather, though, that neither Murphy nor Moran has any business with Adolph Wolgast, the new lightweight champion. They might stab and jab away at Ad, but he would miss 'em up enough in the time to make it a cinch for the referee and the crowd to pick the winner with their eyes.
Murphy won a six-round newspaper decision over Wolgast at Pittsburgh a few months ago. If Tommy is wise he'll rest on that humble laurel.

NOTIONS OF THE ATHLETES

Schedule Changes Too Previous, Says C. H. Ebbets--Pittsburg and Cincinnati Within Rights.

New York, Mar. 2.—President Thomas J. Lynch, of the National League said yesterday that he had not received an official notice of the reported changes in the playing schedule by the Pittsburg and Cincinnati clubs by which the championship season will end on October 9 instead of October 15. Lynch declined to discuss the merits of such changes, but said the matter seemed open to some discussion. C. H. Ebbets, of the Brooklyn club, who was chairman of the schedule committee, when asked for an opinion said:
"Pittsburg and Cincinnati have a right to make these changes according to the league's constitution, but if they have done so it seems a little premature. In my opinion it would be better to alter the schedule late in the season, when the winner of the pennant seems assured. As it is Chicago, for instance, should win the league championship Pittsburg and Cincinnati would appear in a ridiculous light.
"I do not believe the world's series should be interfered with in any way and if my own club should finish first I would readily agree to bring forward some of my dates so that the Brooklyn club could begin the series with the American league champions on or prevent them."

MAHARAJAH TO COME WITH POLO TEAM

Calcutta, India, March 2.—The proposal to send a polo team from India to America to play for the championship of the world is taking shape. The Maharajah of Cooh Behar has taken up the matter and is not only keenly interested in the sporting venture, but will probably accompany the Indian team.

Financial support is promised from various quarters, and some of the well-known polo players have been approached to ascertain their willingness to go, and more than a quartette have expressed themselves eager to make the trip.
Among these are Captain Barrett, Fifteenth Hussars; Captain Mirza Beg of H. H. the Nizam's service; Thakores Moti Lalji and Dhoulai Singhji and one or two others whose names will be made known later.
The idea propounded by the London Sportsman that India should, on a question of etiquette, defer to the Hurlingham Club, which has a prior right to challenge the Americans, is absurd. Since then a provisional challenge has been sent to America by the Hurlingham Club, but the question is, will the team selected by Hurlingham have the confidence of the English polo players, and next will the Indian team defer to such selection?

Comiskey's management in the west. In the games with Jersey City last season he showed consistent effectiveness at all times. Whenever he was beaten it was by a small score and not through any fault of his own. In signing his contract Ford sent word to the club officials that he hoped to give satisfaction and would report at the training camp close to fighting weight.

Big Athlete Meet.

Toronto, Mar. 2.—The feature of the Canadian National Exhibition this year will be a two day athletic meet, the greatest ever seen in Canada. One day is to be devoted to amateur and the other to professional sport. All the crack athletes of America are to be invited to compete. Elwood Hughes has been appointed to manage the meeting and will apply at once to the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union for a permit.

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Forty Two Years of Base Ball Wonderful Life Story of Jim O'Rourke

No. 5. By Tip Wright.
"An I look back to the day before we wore gloves," O'Rourke said to me, "I can scarcely understand how we went through the ordeal of a game. Before gloves were used, the catcher suffered unbelievable torture. On a hot day, when the blood circulated freely, the catcher's hands would swell about the third inning. When swelling started the pain caused by impact with the ball decreased, because the swollen flesh made sort of a cushion.
"But on a cold day, when the blood did not course freely, and the hands would not swell, the pain was intense. I have seen catchers hold a piece of soft rubber in their mouths and whenever the ball was pitched they would screw up their faces and bite on the rubber as hard as they could to offset the pain.
"On a warm day I have heard a catcher say proudly, along about the middle of the game, 'Oh, I am getting along fine—my hands are swelling up in great shape.'
"Then in those days there were few players who were not scarred. It used to be part of the pitcher's duty to try to hit the batter with the ball.
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"Many head has been so sore from being hit that I could not think and my hands so sore from catching that I could not hold an orange tossed from a distance of six feet.
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Not an Adviser.

Sammy's own fighting career does not fit him to shine as an adviser of champions. His name may still be found in some of the old record books, for there was a time when Sam Berger was regarded as the coming heavy-weight. Something delayed him. He won several amateur championships, but he lost out at least to Billy Redenbach, who was so short and dumpy that he had to jump into the ring in order to land on Samuel's classic features.
In 1906 they tried to make a real camp out of Sammy. It was just after the big fire and many a Californian had to make jump to the far east and grab something quick. Sam Berger was matched with Jack O'Brien in Philadelphia and Jack has since made some interesting disclosures regarding that sanguinary encounter. Jack says that he rehearsed the bout with Berger blow for blow in the barn attached to the Hagan residence.
"You needn't worry, Sam," said Jack, "I can miss 'em as close as any body in the world. I won't hurt you."
He didn't—very much.
Then Sam fought Al Kaufman and it was hard to tell which was the worst fighter until the tenth round, when Kaufman slipped over one wild poke and down went Sammy with a terrific crash.
This, then is the extent of Sammy's career as a fighter, and to the casual observer it would seem that he is barred from the hurried consultations in the ring on the afternoon of July 4, 1910.
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M.P.A.A. TO CONVENE IN TRURO TODAY

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Vice-President Lithgow, who has recently turned prophet is going to make a fight to have athletics placed on a strictly amateur basis.

WELSH HAS FALLEN DOWN WITH FRIENDS

London, March 2.—Home sportsmen thought much about Fred Welsh until a few days ago, but he has sadly fallen in the estimation of many since the negotiations for a match with Packy McFarland, of America, fell to the ground. The attitude of the English press on the matter must be very gratifying to the visitor, who will be able to say a word for the fairness of English journalists towards a stranger when the latter was shabbily treated.
"The Sporting Life" is very severe on Welsh, and says he is "so warlike in peace, and lamblike in times of war," and "had McFarland chosen to box at the amateur level of the referee some other hitch would probably have been manufactured to let Welsh out of a match with the man whose character he has maligned not once, not twice, but many times."
McFarland has created a good impression here, and fairly "called Welsh down," and his offer to box at the amateur level makes Welsh's statements about not getting a fair deal when he met "Packy" in America look absurd. McFarland has now been matched with Joe Fletcher, of London, but home sportsmen would much rather see the American try conclusions with J. Driscoll if only they could agree as to weight. The Welshman draws the beam at 125 lbs., while "Packy" was willing to box Welsh at 133 lbs. Possibly Driscoll would be willing the American would make 125 lbs.—which would be splitting the difference.

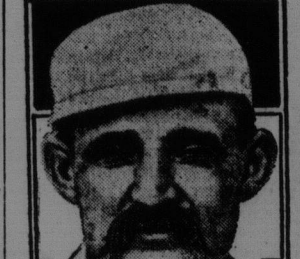
match any thinking which will be done in Johnson's corner.

It used to be Billy Delaney who whispered in Jeff's ear during fights. At the present time a wide chasm separates the two men and Billy's vitriolic statements during the past year cannot be considered as olive branches, in effect they seemed more like poison ivy.
As a matter of fact if Jeff wins this fight it will not be won in the corner. It will be won in the training quarters. If the big fellow comes back the same old hairy thunderbolt with the "welcome" rug on his chest and his lungs and legs in good condition, it isn't advice he will be needing. An air-brake might answer.

New Steamship Line.

Montreal, Mar. 2.—The Austrian Consul General in Canada, Herr Hann, states that steps are now under way looking to the establishment of a steamship service between Austria and the St. Lawrence, which will probably be undertaken during the coming winter from Trieste on the Adriatic, calling from Trieste on the Adriatic, calling at Italian ports. In this way a great deal of traffic which has heretofore gone via New York will come direct to Canada.

CHARLEY RADBOURNE.



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