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THE SCILLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

VE COURTNEY AND HANLAN--WHAT GLEINEN WILL AND WILL NOT DO-FRICKLIT HLARD FROM.

There does not appear any prospect of an early itestion of the proposed sculling match for championship of the world and ten thouste championship of the world and ten thous addulars between Edward Trickett of Austra-the chamant of the title, and Charles E. outney of New York State, whose friends ang him copable of attaining to the premierhave been to the cable dispatch sent to dis Laje in London, asking if aught of a dofin-character had been heard from the Australian regard to the matter, was received Jan. 1., this office, and read : " Have heard nothing This is understood to mean that noth-g as been received in England from Trickett, iter directly or of an authoritive nature, and e American's backers feeling convinced that cablegram of iDec. 26 was a pure invention the part of some person in London, concludtaillow the matter to drop until something siture is heard from the Antipodean oarsman Hens a possible means whereby a solution of the question might be more quickly arrived at. with power to arrange the details of a with power to arrange the details of a pich at a personal meeting with Trickett, hald by this time be near the end of his long and by this time be near the end of this tody mey to Sydney, and there seems no likeli-d of any English sculler being sent out there some time, Courtney's friends may be ad-ged to have acted sensibly in concluding to at definite information before putting themtes to additional trouble and expense. In

meantime Courtney authorizes us to state he is ready to row Trickett, Higgins or rd a three mile straightaway race, on Owasco le, N.Y., for one thousand pounds a side, and £50 as expenses to anyone accepting the Owasco Lake is named as the locale be-

whis backers insist upon this ; personally nuev is not particular where the race is row to but those who supply the sidews of war re-tree that it take place there, and claim that the case designated is fully equal, if not superior only other in the States. The letter of credit ay other in the States. The letter of credit he First National Bank of Auburn, N.Y., for 250, placed in our hands with Conrtney's ac-spance of Trickett's supposed challenge, we are equested to hold an account of this offer. Conney also says that if Evan Morris, Edward Elan, or any other American oarsman desires match, he will accommodate him at the above entioned place, but he will not row five miles a small stake, for the reason that, in his tion, it must be physically injurious to any As regards this challenge, we will say that its

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consmanlike character may well be questioned adenticised, and its effect will be disappoint-ing to the many friends of the Empire State o the many friends of the Empire Sector aan who are experienced in sport-matters, and who, while admir-Conruce's pluck, cannot but re-that his backers meast upon a man on which they can hardly hope to see acried, at least by any foreign sculler; so that e most interesting portion of the defi really es for naught. Regarded safely in the light of deptability for shell-racing, we have no objector whatever to the offer to the Owasco Lake warse; but on the grounds of neutrality, we nuot uphold it as a proper locale for an inter-tional contest, and it is very probable that nekett, Boyd, and Higgins, at least, will flatly tiuse to row there. Nothing else can with reath unportance as is here proposed, and parcalarly when the choice may be had of soveral her sheets of equally good water further re-ored from the home of Courtney and his backand with which he is less familiar ; wo need ucely say that the latter localities can also cast of better facilities for housing and other-rise accomodating the immense number of peo-le who would gather to witness such a race Lin can be found at Auburn. We regret that be occasion for such remarks as these presents kell, but it is better that we speak plainly at

tee than allow the challenge to pass without tement, as by pursuing this course these cost interested may be induced to recede from te uutenable position they have taken, and s render probable the acceptance of au offer tom Contact, In reference to Morris and inlan's interest in the matter, the offer Escient amount as exponses (Courtney does of a superior anything about this or the amount of be stakes) may possibly induce the Amotine of be stakes) may possibly induce the Canadian of five him a race on Owasco Lake, although te fancy Haulan has other operations of a pre-minary nature in view; as far as Morris, the resent champion of America, is concerned, wever, we don't anticipate that anything will talt, as it is more than probable that he will reputation by deciming to meet, ander easion ary conditions, others who, in longer races, have made an average per rule which ranks favorativ well there was with their own best time.

We have given atterance to the foregoing rematks solely in the interest of right and of that fairness and equality which should characterize the arrangement of all sporting matches, and they are not in the remotest degree dictated by means defeating an effective feelings of friendship for one of an opposite low a way that they sometiment towards another, our aim being the victors are "game." thrusting aside of whatever stumbling blocks may be in the way of the granification of our matches this year between first-class parsmen of this and other countries, the outlook for which has appeared so promising. We have before us a letter dated sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 12th, 1877, and written by Louis Richards, the clubswinger, formerly of this city, but now with Cooper, Barley & Co.'s Cheus, from which we extract the following: "I called to see Mr. Trickett, the single-sculler, and we had a very sociable chat I showed him the account of the scullers' race on Owasco Lake, in which C. E. Courtney came in victorious. Trickett had an idea Courtney each in Netorious. Freezett had in idea Courtney was a great deal older man than he really is. He informed me that he received a telegram from Edward Hanlan of Foronto, Out., challenging him to row a match for ± 500 and the championship of the world, to take place in Austrainan waters. He accepted the challenge. There's no question about Hanian being a firstclass man, but he has, what we call in America. a very tough man to deal with. Trickett is one of those tall, bony, wiry-looking men, much more so than Couring, who I think would stand a good chance with him. There is no doubt, that if Haulan comes over here, he will be very well received, as Sydney possesses a vory fine class of people, and they are willing to see the best man win. It is probable that Trickett misunderstood the purport of Hanlan's telegrim, as we are confident that the latter does not propose to go to Australia to row. The letter sont some weeks ago by Hanlan's backers to Trickett will, however, set matters right.—N. Y. Clipper.

SEIZED BY A DEVIL FISH.

Early last August a party of Cape Flattery or Makaw Indians, returning from a visit to their friends (the Songish of Victoria) encamped the first afternoon out on the beautiful Bay of Metchosen, V. I. The weather being very fine, most of the party went bathing, and among the party a maiden of perhaps eighteen summers, who had a maiden of perhaps eighteen summers, who accompanied her grandfather on the trip. Des-iring seclusion, sho went round a point away from the other bathers, and being known as a bold swimmer, is supposed to have taken a header into deep water. However taken, it bold swimmer, is supposed to have taken a header into deep water. However taken, it proved to have been a plunge into the arms of death, for when the swimmers reassembled round the camp fire the girl was missed, and, notwithstanding a diligent scatch that evoning. could not be found. The following morning, with sad hearts, the party left ; but very soon those in the foremost canoe, on rounding the first point, saw (the water calm and clear) a human body as if scated on the sandy sea bottom, with what seemed like a flour bag immedi-ately behind it. The natives knew what this meant. As soon as the cances got together, two of the most active young men managed with daggers so to disable the monster (for it was a gigantic devil tish) that the octopus with its vic-tim was brought to the surface. The foregoing facts have been communicated to our informant with we with here the surface informant

A GOSSIP ABOUT CULTANG

In curlers of Locimation in Dumfries have long been celebrated for then excel-lene. They have given a phrase to the game, "Soutering, weich has puzzled phil-ologers to explain before now. Soutering Soutering means defeating an opposing party mass hol-low a way that they stand " tove - when the In Lochmaben there was a rink of seven players, all shoemakers Sconce, souters—by trade, who were so excamest desire for a series of highly interesting pert that, not only did they conquer all comers, but often without allowing their oppi-nents to score a single shot; hence the phrase. On the same locn, during the French ar, there was another rink, headed by Sir James Brown of Colstoun, famed all over curling Scotland as the "Invincible Board of Lochmaben." many are the tests recorded of these doughty champions ; so marvelous was the skill of Dencon Jrrdine, chief of the indicative against the famous bruner, "Souters," that he could with his stone, and tapped the insulting scallawag on the shoul-thread a needle i he attached with a press of thread a needle ! he attached with a piece of shoemaker's wax two needles to the side of two corling stones in front, similarly apart; "I beg your pardon, sir, but I overheard your then upon two stones in front, similarly romarks at the dinner table concerning New apart, and in the line of direction, naving atlixed two "birses"—bristles—he played aware that I am from New York city." two curling stones in front, similarly apart ; his stone so accurately that, in grazing "Oh, through the "port" or op the blossom. The stones, it would impel the birses tot ward Them through the eyes of the needles. Unique as was this feat, it has often been rivalled in difficulty by delicate shots of other curlers. There has been other instances of curling ston- being thrown over the ice. Sir Rich ard Brown says that in m his day there were many alive who could throw a stone across " the Kirth Loch "-one of the many lakes at Lochmaben-" a feat not much short of the above." Once a celebrated player of Tinward, named Lawrie Young, challenged the Lochmaben curlers to a trial of strong h Their president stepped forward, and, taking his stone, threw it with such strength across the Mill Loch that it jumped off the brink upon the other side, and turabled over upon grass. "Now," said he to Lawrie. "go and throw it back again ; I will then confess that you are too many for us." Cantain H. Clapperton, R N.—an African traveller of Clapperton, It N.—an African traveller of and for hours it was a question of life or death. They and takes that are left over some repute sixty years ago—used to play One of his doctors told Mr. Morrissey that the they sat, and won't get mad and just if they an enormous mass of granite, known far and murden and could not hvo twenty four hours. Last have wet to ast and lam chops every more wide as "the Hen." This rough stone "I congratulate the entizens of Georgia," he re- ing for breakfast. wide as "the Hen." This rough stone weighed about seventy pounds; and yet such a strong man was Clapperton that he not only played some capital shore with and in a few days. but if I am wanted a telegraphic "Snake caung snake" "Snake caung s now-a-days. One of the Dukes of Athole, wery fond both of curling and skating, sug-gested a game in which both were combined. The skater, armed with a long pole, impelled his curling stone with it; but though it was described as "an electron theory" making a

we found pinned to a tree. They had then turn, tof the earth during all the time. After a held his fect on a rock, taking each in turn, tof the earth during all the time. After a and deliberately mashed them to a pulp with httle while, when the slegs were brought up the heads of their hatchets. The man's sufthe heads of their hatchets. The man's suf- and worked off at the melting ovens, there terings must have been awful, but the heads suddenly arose a crop of glacium plants with a beautiful vellow flower, of a kind unknown

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When Senator Morrisony went to Sayonnah. he put up at the Pataski House, the whilen a te sort or southern chivany. He som became the die part a hon, the observed of all observors. It happened is to be of a that while there a part and an and a second se while there is real specimen of the old maturat enable tex tray tools there vote to a friend across the room that New York cat the lament of h. New Jersey have and we way "the slum-hole of politicians. No rest and most sa that Uprefer a (q_1, \ldots, q_n) and we are preciable man can hold office there." Raising chips soaked to meson to dot (q_1, \ldots, q_n) is vote. "Why, no man can be detected to the pother with Spaulding's give legislature from New York city unless he is a third or a gambler." Morrissoy heard the roomark, but made no sign of displeasure. The the fust thing yet genetarily see ovia work ok a dimer over, the proprietor apologised, but the 4/4 whize, and the last thing a white. How so

der the following dialogue and scene ensued, as pictured in the New York Sun

" Oh, yos, I reckon I was," said the Muscopre

Then," continued Senator Morrissey, " whon

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Senator. "I reckon you're right," replied the blossom, with refreshing insolence. "They were just meant for you and no ono else." He stood with his fingers in his pistol pocket. Morrissey never raised his hands. For two sec. The goslin waddles when he walks, and pad then the Muscogee blossom fell to the thor bleed ing and senseless, a flower without a stalk. The senator had used one of the tricks of his early days, and "bucked" him. Like lightning ho had hurled his head against the skull of the Georgian, and the latter dropped like a pig of and for hours it was a question of life or death. One of his dectors told Mr. Morrissey that the they and senseles to did Mr. Morrissey that the they eat, and won't get mad and put of they they eat, and won't get mad and p "I congratulate the citizens of Georgia, he ro-plied. Six hours afterward the doctor mot the senator and said the man would recover. "I condole with the citizens of Georgia," was the response. "I shall go to Jacksonville with-in a few days. but if I am wanted a telegraphic dimeter but

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dinner over, the proprietor apologised, but the 16 a whize, and the hast thing a white How so senator assured min that he was not responsible to the of them are killed on the whigh a mix-for the drivet of the blackguard. Pretty soon the tery to me, for it is a quicker jet than snatching Muscogee blossom came swaggering along, and pennys oph a red het store. I have shot at thom sten, but never remember of my killing They are one of the game out is, so a menuty one

good judges think they are the most ene and vittles that ware fethers.

DRI GOSLIN

The goslin is the old goose's ying child Faey are yeller all over, and az soft az a ball 'wors tod. Their foot iz wove hole, and the kan swim az easy az a drop of kaster oil on the Then, continued Senator Morrissey, "when wa er. They are born annually about the Lith calling the city members of the New York legis- or May, and never was known tew die natually isture thieves and gamblers, you were not aware. If a man should tell me he saw a known die a I was one of those officials. Oh, yes, I reckon I was, repeated the after that, not even if he swore he had be t about Muscogee blessom very unconcernedly. "Probably you know who I am, and your ro-marks at the table were meant for me," said the the human family, who are sed tew grow wesker

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MORTIMEN

stinct, admired the effective rebuke given to the lying on a differential and an drivelling dot from the interior. The event usually large. I called the attention of my ser usuals to the snake, and directed that be snake software to Florida was generally regretted. The solid north seems equal to the liquid south. yenomous reptiles, particularly the high lan moccasin. By the by 1 had been batten by moccasin, and, barely escaping with my life. y daggers so to disable the momenter (for it was giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie derives the momenter of the grade are an elegant mode-making a giggertie deril rish) that the octopur with its rot giggertie derives the mode are and elegant mode-making a gine." It nevers too gine was not as fashionable with the propagation of the rot for the mode are well with the grade was not as fashionable with the propagation of the rot for the mode are and elegant mode are at the state state respecting the propagation of the rot for the mode are at the state state are well as a mode are in the state state respecting the propagation of the rot for the mode are at the state state are well as a mode are at the state state are well as a mode are at the state are well as a mode are at the state are provided at the transmitter at the state are of his tail, and rapid ejections of his tongue and apparent preparation for the light, be |would make a very different impression |one.- T. G. T., in Forest and Stream