

THE STANLEY KETCHEL'S AGE OF SPORTS

KEEN DISAPPOINTMENT OVER LANGFORD'S VICTORY

British Sports are Very Sore at One-sided Nature of the Langford-Lang Bout.

Langford Now Picked as the Logical Opponent of Jack Johnson--Welsh and Jim Driscoll

The Montreal Gazette's British sporting letter has the following: There is no disguising the fact that the one-sided nature of the Lang vs. Langford contest proved very disappointing. Many people hoped Lang would prevail, and possibly deprive Johnson of his championship laurels. The result wipes Lang off the map as a possible world's champion and one wonders what was the matter with Tommy Burns, that he allowed the Australian to stay twenty rounds against him. Langford trained none too thoroughly, and indeed his time for getting ready was short. He was full of confidence, however, and simply outclassed the white man, who was made to look like a novice. Lang showed plenty of pluck and took a lot of punishment during the five rounds and part of a sixth the bout lasted. Though knocked down four

times, and forced to take the count of nine each time, he struggled up again. It would perhaps have been more to Lang's credit had he been knocked out completely, than to have lost on a foul by hitting Langford, when the colored man had accidentally slipped on his knee. That he should earn disqualification for the same sort of thing in two successive encounters is deplorable and likely to make promoters wary of giving him further chances. Langford's previous bouts in England were soon over as he beat Tiger Smith and Ian Hague in four rounds each, and only took one to finish Jeff Thorne. In these contests he greatly pleased the critics, and one very fine judge—who has refereed some championship matches—assured the writer that Langford had a big chance against Johnson. After his latest victory, this would probably appear to be the case. Johnson, of course, has height, reach and weight in his favor but on the other hand it is probable Langford can hit harder, being grandly built from the hips upwards. Sportsmen in England now recognize that there is no white man in sight who has a chance of regaining the championship, particularly now that two men—Johnson and Langford—stand in the way. Still one must expect less as well as, in fact, years, and the fortune awaiting a real world champion is sure to lead to the development of another Fitzsimmons, Corbett or Jeffries before long. The prospects of another match between Fred Walsh and Jim Driscoll look better. The former posted a cheque for £500 to bind a match at 130 lbs. and the featherweight champion has covered this. A return encounter would appear to be order. For when Driscoll was disqualified in their previous match, the issue was very open.

ALL AFER KETCHEL'S MANTLE

TO AMATEUR BASEBALL CLUBS.

Last summer The Standard carried more news of the amateur baseball clubs of St. John and vicinity than all the other local papers combined. During the past winter The Standard has carried more news of the amateur hockey clubs than all the other local papers combined. The facts speak for themselves. The amateurs, whether at baseball or hockey have come to look on The Standard sporting page as theirs. Amateur baseball clubs are again preparing for a busy season. The Standard, as usual, will be glad to give them all the assistance necessary in the direction of printing club notices and news. Managers and secretaries of clubs can rest assured that space for their news can always be found on this page. The only stipulation is that all communications must be signed as an evidence of good faith and that ONE SIDE OF THE PAPER ONLY BE WRITTEN ON.

WOLGAST IS SICK OF THE FIGHT GAME

HACK WILL FORCE GOTCH TO MEET HIM

Chicago, March 13.—If the present plans of Jack Curley, George Hackenschmidt's manager, do not go a miss during the summer months there will be a big match in this country next fall between the "Russian Lion" and Frank Gotch, present champion of the world, a match that will definitely and for all time settle the question of wrestling supremacy between this famous pair. Hackenschmidt will sail for Europe from New York on March 30, this is the commencement of plans made two months ago. He will have cleared up all of his American dates by that time. Curley will follow him over two weeks later and spend the summer abroad. They will return together the latter part of August and their first act upon their arrival in New York will be to post a forfeit of \$5,000 either in New York or in Chicago, in support of a challenge to Gotch. The failure of the "Lion" to realize his ambition in getting on with Gotch this season has only stimulated him to try again. He suggested to Gotch some time ago that he would like to have a match next Labor Day, when it was found impossible to get the champion to agree to an early date for spring training. Hackenschmidt is going to return and attempt to force Gotch's hand. The "Lion" has been told that the entire summer to rest up and do some light training for the contest. He will then give him as large a side wager as may be consistent with the proposition. Now Hackenschmidt is going to return and attempt to force Gotch's hand. The "Lion" has been told that the entire summer to rest up and do some light training for the contest. He will then give him as large a side wager as may be consistent with the proposition.

MORAN WAS ALL BUT OUT IN THE SIXTH

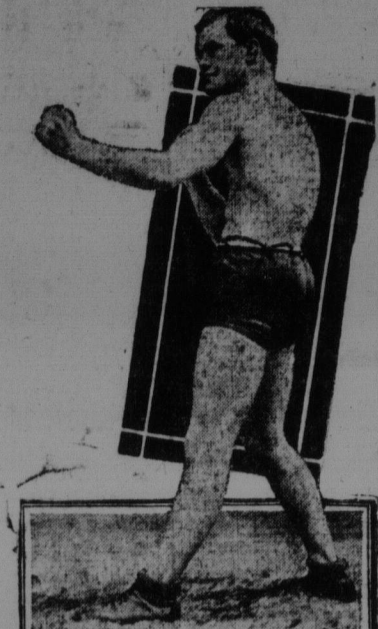
FIGHTER STOPS RUNAWAY.

Boston papers to hand last night contain more extended accounts of the McFarland-Moran fight than those furnished through the Canadian press and published in The Standard yesterday. The Boston Globe, in its account, says: Moran throughout the boxing and rounds, with every second spent in getting scores of punches, hooks, swings and jabs, Paeky McFarland, the stocky champion of Chicago, outpointed Owen Moran of England at the Fairmont A. C. In every session of the milling, with the possible exception of the fifth round and the ninth round, which were even, McFarland proved his superiority as a boxer, as a puncher and as a brawny club fighter. It was a rare fistic treat between two exponents of the art of boxing. Moran's cleverness who covet the crown of Ad Wolgast, champion lightweight, won. It was an international battle. McFarland represented America and Moran England. McFarland was the aggressor in the boxing and he was always moving. Like a flash of light he moved around Moran, shooting over Owen's guard, finding rages and openings in his defenses and planting blows beneath the Englishman's guard at will. Moran could not locate Paeky, who he regarded as the best of the best. He was too sharp and active. He used his famous uppercuts frequently and executed great damage with them. In his open air, something that got once did he hit McFarland a hard blow. Three only did he reach McFarland's face with stinging punches, but he was not able to get on his feet, ear and brow, that they failed to hurt Paeky. It was in the sixth round that Moran came to the rest of his road. He opposed to him erected by McFarland's fists. Paeky had lured him into his trap. He spun blows to Moran's face that dazed him and entangled his feet. Paeky reached out with his left hand after planting blows to Owen's face, caught him around the neck and, holding him at arm's length, jolted him under the chin. The blow had the lifting power of every point of the compass. No matter which way Moran turned, he was met by a hurricane of driving, crushing, smashing punches to the face and body. A right uppercut staggered Moran and the crowd thought it was all over and shouted for Paeky to knock him out, but McFarland lacked the blow to do this and Moran managed to recuperate during the minute's rest to such a degree that he fought out the bout to the end. Only Moran's great vitality saved him from being knocked out in that round.

KNOCKOUT MADE HIM GOOD

WATERBURY & RISING.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 15.—You seldom hear of a fighter being helped by a defeat, but that's what happened to Joe Burke, one of the best 120-pounders in Pennsylvania. The defeat occurred 15 months ago at Old Forge, Bert O'Donnell winning in 17 rounds, after finding out, late in the battle, that Burke was not "there" at fighting. Much money changed hands and Burke was declared a dead one. But Burke did not believe it. He employed the man who had been handling O'Donnell and began again. He learned the short arm stuff and six months later trimmed O'Donnell in six rounds. Since then he has been winning steadily. Burke is a printer and two of his brothers are pugilists. One was a champion middleweight of the coal regions for years, and another, younger, is beating everything in his class. Joe is considered the classiest of the three, and his backers believe he is good enough for the Philadelphia and New York short distance stars.



BRITISH SPORTING NOTES

The old Philadelphia cricketer, Dr. H. V. Henderson, appears to have played a big part in the victory of Australia in the fourth test match against South Africa, at Melbourne, and English critics are saying that "the apple" of the first water has been unearthed for the 1912 tournament. Barry and Albany have now signed articles to contest a match to be played at Patey-Mortlake course on May 1, for the English professional sculling championship of £400. The hockey officials do not believe in prizes or leagues in connection with the game, which they contend should be played for the game's sake alone. A. J. Davidson, of Wimbledon, proved the winner of the figure skating championship of England, decided at the Manchester Ice Palace early in the week. J. Rutherford, of South Africa, who came over for the purpose of competing in the Amateur Boxing Championships, has now gone over to the professional ranks. He made his debut at the National Sporting Club on Monday, when he created a favorable impression during a three rounds' trial against J. Harrison. The Amateur Swimming Association has again shown a Little Englander policy and a want of courtesy by declining to send T. S. Battersby, who won the Derby night ball at the Duke of Devonshire's home, and this probably means a visit to Epsom for the purpose of seeing the race.

THREE RECORDS BROKEN.

New York, March 15.—Three amateur indoor records were broken at the Pastime Athletic Club games at Madison Square Garden last night. In the mile relay race, two new records were made, the intercity and the New York team composed of L. B. Dorland, J. M. Rosenberger, Melvin W. Shepard and H. W. Giesing, led against a team from Philadelphia and the Boston team. The time was 3:25.15, compared with the previous record of 3:25.45. In the Y. M. C. A. national relay, the West Side branch of New York established a new record, having won 20 seconds. All competitors were New Yorkers. A record standing broad jump, D. Healy, representing the Y. M. C. A., made a jump of 24 feet 3.4 inches. The former record made by Platt Adams, of Boston, was 24 feet 6 inches. Adams was second tonight with 24 feet 7.3 inches.

BRITISH FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Mar. 15.—Results in the principal football fixtures were: The F. A. Cup—Fourth Round. Chelsea, 3; Swindon Town, 1. Blackburn Rovers, 3; West Ham United, 2. Newcastle United, 4; Derby County, 0. Bradford City, 1; Burnley, 0. The League—First Division. Bury, 2; Tottenham H. C., 1. Blackpool, 1; Glossop, 0. Clapton Orient, 2; Lincoln C. C., 0. Gillingham, 1; Bolton Wanderers, 0. Leicester Fosse, 2; W. Brom. Athletic, 2. Stockport C. C., 1; Bradford, 0. W. Hampton W., 3; Birmingham, 1. Southern League. Bristol R. C., 0; New Brighton, 2. Exeter City, 2; Queen's Park R. C., 1. Brighton and H. C., 0; West Ham U. C., 0. Northampton, 1; Luton, 1. Portsmouth, 1; Norwich City, 1. Crystal P., 2; Coventry City, 0. Brentford, 2; Southend U. C., 1. Leyton, 4; Southampton, 0. Watford, 1; Plymouth A. C., 0. Rugby—International. Wales, 16; Ireland, 0. Scottish Cup. Glasgow Celtic, 1; Aberdeen, 0. Hamilton Acad., 3; Dundee, 2. Scottish League. Clyde, 1; St. Mirren, 1. Hibernians, 1; Glasgow Rangers, 3. Motherwell, 0; Falkirk, 2. Queen's Park, 0; Morton, 0. Airdrieonians, 4; Hearts, 1. Raith Rovers, 2; Patrick Thistle, 2. Rugby. Taunton, 12; Oldfield, 4. Weston-super-m., 3; Bridgewater, 0. London Welsh, 3; Blackheath, 0. London Scottish, 12; United Services, 9. Liverpool, 12; Moseley, 23. O. Merch, Taylors, 27; Old Alleynians, 5. London Irish, 3; London Hospital, 27. Richmond, 12; Rosslyn Park, 14.

NATIONALS AND SHOE MEN WON

There were two bowling matches on Black's alleys last night. In the City League there was a warm contest between the insurance team and the Nationals. The teams tied on the third string with a score of 435 and on the roll off the Nationals won. They took three points with a total pinfall of 1223 to 1284. In the Commercial League the Waterbury & Rising team took four points from Emerson & Fisher. The following is the individual score: CITY LEAGUE. Insurance. Machum ... 92 80 108 250-93.13 Gregory ... 71 73 71 215-71.13 Stevens ... 78 91 76 245-81.23 Gilson ... 87 96 86 269-96.13 Chase ... 91 80 84 255-84.13 429 420 435 1284. Nationals. Olive ... 100 101 95 297-99. Howard ... 76 75 71 220-71.13 Downing ... 88 81 76 245-81.23 Morris ... 71 107 89 267-89. Harrison ... 80 85 98 263-85.23 424 464 435 1323. COMMERCIAL LEAGUE. Emerson & Fisher. Kelly ... 80 84 88 252-84.

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GRADUATES TO THE RESCUE

"It never rains but it pours" applies to Harvard boating. No sooner was it known that Harvard's two English shells were smashed beyond repair in transit to America, than graduates came to the rescue with three orders for shells to take the place of the two that were broken.

BARRY FOR ENGLAND.

Jim Barry, who is to box Joe Jeannette, at Tom O'Rourke's New York club tomorrow night, will sail for England on the steamer Adriatic from New York on Saturday. His first bout against Harry H. Dryden at promoter McIntosh's club in London, and his opponent probably will be Bombardier Wells, who recently defeated "Porky" Flynn.

HIGH ATHLETIC EXPENSES.

Yale's athletic expenses may be carefully checked, by Dean Briggs' recent criticism of lavish expenditures in our colleges is not disapproved in any sense when it is admitted that for every football player that gets into a Yale championship game \$2500 is expended.

JAY WILKES WON AGAIN.

A horse racing event which had aroused some interest was pulled off on the ice at Torryburn about 11:30 o'clock yesterday when Rose Bros. Jay Wilkes, which won from Buchanan at Millsideville last Saturday, annexed another victory by defeating Wm. McDonald's Paddy Bangs in straight heats. Wm. Brickley drove the winner, and Thos. Hayes handled Paddy Bangs. A large crowd of several hundreds went to Torryburn to witness the event. It was for the best out of five, and the three heats pulled off were interesting, the first being the closest and most exciting. Quite a little money changed hands as a result of the race.

Commission Plan of Government

To the Electors of the City of St. John: Ladies and Gentlemen:—Any of you who have had experience in connection with civic work know how difficult it is under the city council system to get prompt attention to any matter. A question goes to the council, then to a board, then to a committee, and back to the board, and back to the council, and perhaps even then the question is not decided. Under the commission plan of government prompt attention is assured. There are only five men and each of them is the responsible head of a department. The man who has business to do with any department goes straight to the head and has it attended to with the least possible delay. If it be a matter which must be considered by the whole five commissioners they are in daily session, and it is their object to prevent any arrears of business piling up in any department. This is one of the strong features of the commission plan. Men who are giving their time to civic affairs and are not devoting most of it to their private concerns are much better able to give satisfaction than those devoting but a small portion of their time to the city's business, and perhaps forget from council meeting to council meeting what it was they had discussed or decided to do. The commission plan applies business principles as they are applied in the affairs of a large commercial or industrial establishment. CITIZENS' COMMITTEE.

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