

A CHRISTMAS MORN AWAKENING

(How a Boy Aroused the Household on the "Day of Days")

By ANDREW P. ELKSTON

Sleep is over, hear that horn.
Wake up, Jack, it's Christmas morn.
See the stockings stuffed so tight—
Golly, how I wish 'twas light!
Wait, I'll feel and tell what's there,
Ouch! My finger's caught for fair.
Wake up, Jack! How can you snore
Christmas day at half past four?
I'll get up and strike a match,
Maybe Jennie'll hear the scratch!

Pshaw! I don't care! I can't wait!
It is getting awful late,
Jen, is that you? Christmas gift!
I caught you. Now help me lift
This big bundle off my chair.
Let's wake Tom up. Pull his hair.
Toot your horn, Jack, wake them all!
Let's hit Papa with the ball.
Beat your drum, Tom; blow your horn.
Get up, Pop, it's Christmas morn!

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JACK GRIMM TALKS ABOUT BASEBALL.

Declares in Denver That Dugdale Will Go to Outlaw League.

IN SPITE OF THE DENIAL.

Says Seattle Man Will Get Fat Salary As President and Then Desert His Own Town.

It will be remembered that, on the occasion of Jack Grimm's recent visit to Salt Lake, while on his way to Cincinnati, he was very careful to avoid newspaper men and officials of the local baseball club. He did not seem to care for newspaper notoriety, but it seems that he had a great change of heart when he reached Denver. He had not been in the Colorado metropolis many hours before he broke into public print and unburdened himself of considerable wisdom anent the baseball situation as affecting the Pacific National and the Pacific Coast leagues. The Denver Post has the following concerning Grimm and his ideas on the outlook for next season:

Jack Grimm, who so successfully managed the Spokane of the Northwest league last season and who this year started in with Portland and then transferred to Salt Lake City, was in Denver this morning on his way home to Cincinnati. In speaking of the baseball situation out his way, he said:

"I look for the Pacific Coast league, that is the old California or outlaw aggregation, to have matters all their own way out there this coming season. We made our mistake when we invaded California; and it would break any league in the world to make the jumps we made. I took the Portland team to Los Angeles and back, and we played a week in that city without opposition and got \$25 for our share. Then we went to San Francisco and played a week there and got something like \$5 for the week."

"The Portland club lost \$2,200 on its first trip, and Butte and Helena twice that much. Had we fought them in Seattle and Portland we would have won out, because Hank Harris told a party that he would not be a sucker and stand to lose much money in baseball, any that if the opposition was continued in those two cities he would withdraw his support from them."

"There isn't a chance for any league, not even the National and American leagues combined, to beat those fellows in California. The Native Son element is so strong out there that they will not even go to the opposition ball park on passes. I don't think they will go into the National association because they have everything their own way as it is and have nothing to gain by joining the same."

"Lucas is a good executive, but he lacks

self-confidence, if he were one of those Ban Johnson kind of fellows that took the bull by the horns and went through it would be much better. Instead, whenever an important question is to be decided, he writes to all the directors and then does as the majority orders. He ought to be president in person as well as in name. He knows baseball and if he had a little more independence, as I stand, he would make a splendid president."

"The opposition will be out of Seattle and Portland next season. Dugdale, the owner of the Seattle club in the old league, will be made president of the outlaws at a good fat salary and will then vacate his town. In that manner the fight will be straightened out and become a matter of history."

"The Western league, from what I can learn, is in the same chaotic state as we are and don't know whether they are afoot or horseback. But I guess things will shape themselves and come out alright."

BASKETBALL GAMES.

Season for the Interstate League Will Open Next Month.

The basketball season for 1904 will be a lively fight for the state championship between teams representing the L. D. S., Logan, Ogden and Provo.

Before the regular schedule begins there will probably be two or three games between Salt Lake and outside teams. With in a day or two a date will likely be decided upon for a game between the L. D. S. U. champions and the Butte High School team.

OUTLOOK FOR BOXING.

Local Ring Followers Expect to See the Game Opened Again.

Local ring followers have been wondering for a long time when the boxing game would be opened again in this city. There has been nothing doing here in the mitt pushing line since "Chicago Jack" Daily pulled off his little never-to-be-forgotten fake at the Grand theater, and it was generally conceded at that time that the game was given a severe blow, one that it would not recover from for a long time.

But just now, reports have it that the sport will be opened again in this city before many weeks roll along, and the fight fans are happy. Just who will make the effort to pull off the initial contest remains to be seen, but it is believed that if the right kind of men are matched, and if the promoter will give the public a square deal, occasional contests will be permitted. There are many good fighters men with reputations for square dealing in the ring, who are anxious to come here to box, and if present plans are carried out some interesting contests will take place here during the winter months.

RACES AT INGLESIDE.

Favorites Had a Bad Day of it and Bookies Were in Luck.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—Favorites fared badly at Ingleside today, and the thirty bookmakers in line had much the best of the argument. The weather was perfect, but the track was dead. Rockaway was a 3 to 5 choice for the 2-year-old race, but Mendon passed him in the stretch and won by half a length. Misty's Pride was plucked off his little never-to-be-forgotten fake at the Grand theater, and it was generally conceded at that time that the game was given a severe blow, one that it would not recover from for a long time.

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by's Pride won, Americano second, Pierce third. Time—1:02.

Fourth race, one mile and fifty yards, selling—Constellator won, Arthur Ray second, I O U third. Time—1:20.

Fifth race, seven furlongs, selling—Ada N won, Diderot second, Chorus Boy third. Time—1:29.

Sixth race, one mile and a sixteenth, selling—Silver Pizz won, Frank Woods second, Kitty Kelly third. Time—1:11.

EVENTS AT LOS ANGELES.

Season of Ninety Days' Duration is Now Open at Ascot Park.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 23.—Ascot park, a new race track, will open tomorrow for a ninety-day season of racing. There are now in stable at Ascot park between 600 and 700 horses, including representative racers from all the big stables now on the Pacific coast.

Colonel A. W. Hamilton of Mount Sterling, Ky., who has for several years officiated as presiding judge at Harlem and Hawthorne tracks, Chicago, will act in the same capacity at Ascot, and his associate will be Ed Cole, a well known sporting writer of New York. Ed Jasper, secretary of Worth track, Chicago, will be secretary and handicapper. The starters will be Richard Dwyer and Jake Holtman, who will alternate between Ascot and San Francisco tracks.

The feature of tomorrow's card will be the Mount Lowe handicap, a sweepstakes for 2-year-olds and upwards, with \$50,000 added money. The distance is six furlongs and the probable starters number fourteen.

MCARTHY VS RAY BARNEY.

Two Boxers to Fight at Logan About January First.

Jerry McCarthy is in training again; this time for a bout with Ray Barney, the Utah boxer, who has made a pretty good name for himself in the ropel arena. The fighters have agreed to meet in a 20-round engagement at Logan about Jan. 1, and Logan fight fans have manifested considerable interest in the mill. Barney is much heavier now than he was during his last fight, and believes he can hold his own with the bumpy Walkerville lad. Barney will finish his training in Logan, while Jerry is working out in this city.

Favors Olney for President.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Congressman W. S. McNary announced tonight that at the meeting of the Democratic state committee next month he would present a resolution in favor of the candidacy of Richard Olney for president and inviting the co-operation of the party in other New England states.

FANEUIL HALL NO COOP.

Mayor Collins Refuses to Allow a Poultry Show There.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Permission to use Faneuil hall for an exhibition of poultry was denied by Mayor Collins to-

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day in a message to the board of aldermen, which had granted the privilege to the New England Light Brims club.

"I regard such use of Faneuil hall as illegitimate and substantially a profanation," wrote the mayor. "The hall is a resort of all patriotic visitors who come to Boston, and its use for a poultry exhibition of any kind is ridiculous and obliterates its sacred memories."

Labor Leaders Indicted.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—The grand jury tonight voted indictments against four men prominent in labor circles. They are J. E. Johnson, business agent of the Brass-Workers' union; Lee Fisher, secretary of the International Order of Machinists; H. S. Crane, business agent of the International Order of Machinists, and James J. Lamb, business agent of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

The indictments voted charged conspiracy to wreck the business of the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply company during a strike which was productive of much violence during the early spring. Testimony was presented to the grand jury to the effect that the four accused men had visited officials of the Kellogg company and threatened to interfere with the business of the concern unless the company came to terms with its striking employees.

While indictments were voted against these men, the grand jury refused to return a true bill against Charles F. Lang, foreman of a local printing house, who shot and killed Emil Reichow, a picket allied with the striking press-feeders of the Franklin union. Lang was himself a union man, and was assaulted by a mob, of which Reichow was one. He fired one shot, which struck Reichow and caused his death. Lang established a clear case of self-defense.

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