

IN THE FIELD OF AMERICAN SPORT.

ABOUT THOSE "PRIZE FIGHTS."

While the Boxers Were Surprised They Were Also Amused.

While the action of the City Council on Tuesday last in reference to alleged prize fights in this city caused considerable surprise among the boxers and those who enjoy the boxing game as it has been conducted, it also caused amusement. Mexican Pete said:

"Prizefight? Where? In this city? Ah, go away! Why the only thing they have ever had here that looked like a fight was when Christy and I were training out the other day. The people that are making this noise about prize fights should see a fight once. If they do, then all I got to say is they are a pretty tame."

McNamee of the club said he would like some one to show where he had ever hung up a purse of even five cents as a prize for a boxing match or prize as they termed it. He also said the law permitted boxing exhibitions with five ounce gloves, but for fear some tender fellow would get jarred a little he had insisted on the use of six ounce gloves. The posts supporting the ropes of the ring are padded out nearly a foot and the canvas was stretched over it with a tautness that would jar a little if he had insisted on the use of six ounce gloves. The contests have always been limited to a certain number of rounds, they have been clean and free from brutality and not a word was uttered in condemnation of them although some of the best citizens of Salt Lake attended them regularly. Not a word was said against them until certain ones, he designates as "knockers,"

HOW FITZSIMMONS TRAINS.

Red Topped Robert Mixes It With Rubin the Akronite.

"Bob" Fitzsimmons is happy. The mottled Antipodean, with the slender underpinnings and the shoulders of Colossus, is again in harness, enjoying a feast of bag punching, club swinging, boxing and wrestling.

Having acquired himself nobly as a referee at Louisville, Fitzsimmons returned to his Bensonhurst domain on Wednesday night and began to prepare for his coming argument with James J. Jeffries, in the heavyweight championship of the world and a matter of gate receipts as the stakes, says the New York Journal.

Fitzsimmons has located at Bay Twenty-third street and Crosey avenue, East Beach, in a pavilion that during the warm months is devoted to the charcoal-faced comedy artist with quips of medieval times and the stout-limbed song bird with the thin voice, who pipes "Bad Hairs" and "I Hope He's an Angel Now."

From the pugilistic viewpoint, Fitzsimmons' quarters are ideal. They are equipped with every conceivable muscle producing apparatus and, moreover, are more commodious than those of the lesser lights of Pittania.

One room is given entirely to his

service by not bidding. Routs between the small men will readily be tolerated in some cities where the suggestion of a fight for the heavyweight championship would at once arouse all kinds of opposition and end about as the Jeffries-Rubin affair. Christy said something over a year ago. Promoters who are now prospering might better let well enough alone than to take any chances with the championship unless they can pull it off.

Fitzsimmons has already shown intention to make ready for the fight. After a match is made there is nothing more pleasing to the average fight follower than to see the men begin preparations at once. Fitzsimmons has arranged his quarters and picked his trainers. With Gus Rubin to aid him in the heavy work and George Dawson's advice on other training questions, Fitz will get into condition if a man can do so at his age, and he probably can.

Jeffries has not yet laid out his plans. It is not likely that he will do much in the training line until he knows where the fight is to take place. The champion prefers to do all of his work, if possible, at the scene of battle, and thus avoid interruption by a long trip shortly before the fight.

COLORADO CHAMPIONSHIP.

The Martin-Childs Contest Did Not Settle the Question.

Although "Denver Ed" Martin had the better of Frank Childs at the American club last Monday night, the result does not definitely settle the colored heavyweight championship. Martin

the Philadelphia affair: When the match was made it was agreed between Ernie and Gans that there should be no knockout. Under those circumstances Ernie never trained a minute, believing it quite unnecessary under the circumstances. When he arrived in Philadelphia he found Gans trained to the hour and did not care to take chances. That's why he is now shouting about the double-cross he was to get. He was afraid that Gans would knock him out if he could. What other fighter in the country could have done what Ernie did and not be roasted all over the country?

CLIFFORD AND WADE WORKING.

Getting into Good Form for the Coming Contest.

Every day this week Jack Clifford has been working hard with his training partner, Lew Williams, at Thompson's gymnasium, and he is already in fine shape for his go with Jack Wade, scheduled for the 15th of this month. It is reported that Wade is also working hard at the Warm Springs, and will be in first class condition on the night of the contest. Their training consists of work on the road, wrestling, playing handball, punching the bag and boxing. Christy is also working steadily. He begins with a run to the hot springs and back, bag punching, jumping the rope and a four to eight-round bout with the gloves. He is gradually gaining favor with the local admirers of the game of bouts and he is picked by many as the sure winner of the bout with Bean scheduled for the 21st.

Fitzsimmons Battles.

Date.	Opponent.	Rounds.
1895.		
Feb. 21—Peter Maher	K.	1
1892.		
March 2—Peter Maher	W.	12
May 2—Joe Gortney	K.	1
1893.		
May 8—Jim Hall	K.	4
1894.		
June 17—Joe Choyneki	D.	5
Dec. 2—Tom Sharkey	L.F.	8
1897.		
March 17—J. J. Corbett	W.	14
1899.		
June 9—J. J. Jeffries	K.	by 11
1900.		
—Gus Rubin	K.	9
Tom Sharkey	K.	2

Some of Jeffries Fights.

Date.	Opponent.	Rounds.
1897.		
July 17—Gus Rubin	D.	20
Nov. 30—Joe Choyneki	D.	20
1898.		
Feb. 28—Joe Goddard	W.	4
March 22—Peter Jackson	W.	3
April 22—Peter Everett	W.	3
May 6—Tom Sharkey	W.	20
Aug. 5—Bob Armstrong	W.	10
1899.		
June 9—Bob Fitzsimmons	K.	11
Nov. 3—Tom Sharkey	W.	25
1900.		
—Gus Rubin	W.	5

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2. Now, I'm ready. Jump on the bed and wake them up.



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4. Tommy—Help! help! I'm on fire!

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L. D. S. SENIOR ATHLETIC TEAM AND MANDOLIN CLUB.

The Senior Athletic Team and the Mandolin and Guitar Club of the Latter-day Saints university. The rear line of figures shows the young men, who, as basketball champions, have made the unprecedented record of winning every game played by them with other state teams this season. Their names, are, beginning at the left: Nephi Hamlin, Wm. Douglass, Jos. Stanton, H. C. Hicks, Freeman Bassett, Geo. Taylor and Sidney Christy.

The group with instruments constitute the L. D. S. U. mandolin and guitar club. They are, beginning at the left: Geo. Parkinson, E. R. Phelps, Walter Hargrewood, W. F. Fielding, A. V. Adkins, and Misses Margaret Greer, Geneva Marchant, Edda Houtz, and Ethel Davis.

got their "hammers out" and swore they would break up the club strictly because he would not sell out to them and let them control the game here. The boxers ridiculed the story that the town was filling up with pugilists. Four of the boxers who have participated in contests here this season have made their homes here for years, and are working men who go into the game as much for the amusement as anything else. Last week four boxers came here on their way to California and now they have left the city. They all believe the Council will take a reasonable view of the situation and see that there is no harm in the contests so long as they are conducted as they have been in the past.

THE BURNS-EVERETT MATCH.

Manager of Mexican Pete Acted in Good Faith—After Lawler.

There has been considerable comment during the week over the failure of Jimmy Burns to sign articles for a 25-round boxing match with Mexican Pete, and the general opinion is that the Burns contingent wanted all the best of it or didn't want to meet the big Mexican at all. Billy Sauer accepted the proposition of Burns in the first instance when Burns wanted to fight for a side bet of \$250. In Ogden on the night of the Burns-Rowan contest Sauer put up \$50 as a forfeit that he would place the balance of the \$250 if Burns would meet the Mexican. Lawler, on behalf of Jimmy, at once raised the price to \$250, and Sauer said he was willing to back Pete for that amount.

For some cause or other, when the men met during the week the Burns people insisted that Sauer put up the \$500. He had already placed the \$100 as a forfeit in good hands as a guarantee that within five days before the contest he would come forth with the balance. Even this did not suit Burns so the match was called off. Some say it was fair for one as for the other, but not so, Sauer was taking all the chances, or the most at any rate. What assurance did he have that Pete would do his best to get into proper shape? What assurance did he have that the Mexican would be on hand for the match? How was Sauer protected if such a contingency arose that Pete took sick or injured a hand or foot and could not go on with the contest? There was one man behind Pete while it is known that there were at least three men behind Burns. They were taking less chances than Sauer, at least that is the way he figured it out. Jimmy Burns and his backers claim that they are the ones who made all the concessions and that they offered Sauer to accept any proposition he would make if he would even put up \$150 more, but this he refused to do.

punching bar which is suspended from a portable steel frame, and is about twice as fast in action as the average bag.

The walls of another room are lined with dumbbells, swinging clubs and various styles of weight machines. One end of this room is cleared for boxing bouts, while the opposite end is covered with an immense mattress fully 25 feet square and about three inches in depth, on which Fitzsimmons may wrestle to his heart's content. On the floor above and connected by a private stairway is a rubbing room, with several comfortable cots on which the fighter may lie as he is kneaded and dried by one of his hardworking trainers.

As yesterday was only the beginning, Fitzsimmons said he would not do much work, but if the two hours he passed in companionship with Gus Rubin is considered light by him, there will surely be need of more Rubins before he gets into action next May.

After he stripped Fitzsimmons began to limber up by manipulating several of the weight machines, and then twirled about bells and clubs for about ten minutes. This was followed by a session with the punching bag and for nearly a quarter of an hour he rapped the innocent leather oval mercilessly till his tattoo against the drum of the appliance sounded like a plaint of agony.

Then Mr. Rubin entered on the scene as Fitzsimmons' opponent in a wrestling bout. The sturdy pair grappled and for ten minutes rolled over and over on the mat, their muscles standing out so tensely they appeared ready to burst as one of the other strove to pin the shoulders of his fellow to the floor.

After this the two gladiators donned the mitts and squaring off had a lively tilt that satisfied the spectators there was no simulation in the occasional wince a well directed blow brought forth. Fitzsimmons several times shook up. On the mat, with a stiff kick on the head and once sent him staggering back with a left thrust to the body. In return, Rubin's right managed to poke Fitzsimmons' nose with such convincing force that the criminal spurted forth. This apparently tickled the lanky one, for later, with mock earnestness, he took Rubin to task for being so inconsiderate.

When his grooming was over, Fitzsimmons, with skin aglow and eyes sparkling, joined his pretty wife and his romping children, who were waiting outside.

"I had a fine workout," he said, "but I'm only just beginning. Fine quarters here, eh? Wait till I get my shields and flag up. Then you'll see a real training camp."

BIDS FOR THE BIG FIGHT.

Offers for the Championship Bout Received on March 15.

Bids for the Jeffries-Fitzsimmons match will be opened in New York, March 15. As usual, there, there are many number of clubs with big offers to make, but in some instances there is doubt as to whether the clubs could fulfill their part of the contract. There are some of the places seeking the fight that would do the game a

has Childs beaten on cleverness, but the Chicago man has the punch.

As the bout stood at the end, Childs had been badly outpointed, but not hurt. He carried his knock-out punch to the end of the bout, but was unable to land it. Childs is a hard man to put out. It is no sure thing that Martin would put him down for the full count in a longer fight. Madden's man would outpoint Childs, and the latter's chances of winning in a championship battle would be in landing squarely on the jaw.

'YOUNG CORBETT' ALL RIGHT

What the Little Denver Lad Has Done in the Roped Arena.

When we see Tanger, Broad, McGovern and the rest of them fighting about the east and the press praising them to the skies it forces us to pause and reflect what a wonderfully great fighter our own Young Corbett is. We saw him in this city knock Yanger down at least ten times and force him to take the count at least four times, besides being punched all over the ring. We saw this same Corbett put Kid Broad down time and again and all but knock him out. At Hartford he put away the former Terrible Terry. All this the Denver fighter did without even getting as much as a scratch. Isn't it about time to sing his praises? What feather's weight in the country can compare with him? Glance back on his record; then look at the feats of McGovern, and see how they compare. Corbett whipped every man that they fought in quicker time than Terry did. No bell ever saved Corbett, as was the case with McGovern when Oscar Gardner had him on the floor. True, some of the eastern writers will not admit that anything good comes from the west. After the next meeting between Corbett and McGovern, however, they will recognize Young Corbett as the peerless champion he really is.

Little Doing in Sports.

"Well it looks like there is nothing doing in sports," said a well known athlete the other day. "If the knockers get in their work and convince the authorities that the boxing matches we have had here are brutal and disgraceful, and no game is killed, and we have no horse racing, no baseball, it looks like we will have to go in for pink teas, tag, ping-pong and tiddie-winks for amusement and recreation. The boys we have had so far have meant a good deal for the merchants, more than is generally supposed. All the money that is made by them is spent with the merchants here, and the money remains in the town. If all the sport is killed it means the transfer of so much business to some other town, perhaps Ogden."

More About Erno.

It looks as if Erno and Gans will come together after all and settle their dispute at the Port City Club near Buffalo. Erno has as yet not given an explanation of his queer conduct at Philadelphia, where he ran away from a meeting with Gans. Now that Erno has been fit to act the coward and not explain his queer action the following is claimed to be a true story of