

He Thinks he can Whip Anybody.

The following communication to the editor of the New York Sun is a little ahead of anything of the kind which has yet appeared. As a literary bruiser, Mr. Bascum is entitled to the championship.

Several months ago there has been another little prize fight on Long Island, between a couple of would-be pugilists, Charles Gallagher and Tom Allen, in which Seddons was most unmercifully punished, and that too, from no other cause than being found in bad company.

I notice, also, that Tom Allen has published a card, saying that if Charles Gallagher wants to fight him, as has been stated, he will give him a chance in two weeks from his meeting with McCoolle, for any amount from \$500 upward. Five hundred dollars! What an enormous sum of ready money to propose to fight for!

Now, if Gallagher would do the right thing, which I have no doubt he will, he will wait until Mr. Allen and place him in a condition that he will not need the aid of a couple of stout dentists to extract a pair of boots from his stomach.

I had expected to quit this business and retire to private life, unless I could effect a contract with the government for the purpose of whipping all prize-fighters and putting a stop to this infamous practice in the United States, for which I have made a proposition to Congress. But, as the government seems slow to take hold of my proposition, I wish to make the following proposition through your paper to the above named gentlemen, viz: If these five would-be pugilists will meet me at Salt Lake City on the 31st day of November next, I propose to bet as follows:

I will bet Tom Allen, or any other man, any amount from \$500 to \$10,000, that I can lick him inside of eight rounds.

I will bet \$50,000 that I can whip Gallagher and Allen both inside of twelve rounds.

I will bet McCoolle \$10,000, that after two hours' training with me, either Allen or Gallagher can lick him and not receive a scratch.

I propose to bet fifty thousand more that I can whip Gallagher and McCoolle, both at one and the same time, inside of twenty-four rounds, but with the express understanding that I am not to be held responsible for any deaths or serious accidents that may occur during this battle business transaction.

And notwithstanding Chambers whipped Seddons on Long Island a few days since, yet I propose to bet Chambers or any of his friends the sum of \$10,000 that with one day's training I can put Seddons in a condition that he will whip Chambers and punish him badly inside of twenty-four rounds. After which I will bet Seddons and Chambers \$1,000 that I can whip them both inside of six rounds, and not receive a scratch.

I will further bet the sum of \$10,000 that if this last bet is taken, neither Chambers nor Seddons will ever propose or accept another fight.

After all the above bets are taken and the business transacted, I propose to bet \$100,000 that I can whip Allen, Gallagher, McCoolle, Chambers and Seddons, all coming at me at one and the same time, inside of thirty minutes, in a regular, straight out, rough and tumble fight, provided I am allowed the services of two good men inside the ring, to drag out me at the feet as I render them unable for duty.

My uncle who resides in New York, but who is as present as the briny ocean, will pile up any amount on my whipping any ten men in the world in a rough and tumble fight, and will double the amount on my whipping any men, according to the rules of the ring, at the same time, but they coming at me alternately.

I confess that I regret my occupation, and as a general thing the training and punishing of my fellow men is open to objections to some accounts. Yet, when my country demands it of me, nothing affords me more pleasure than a good drink, accompanied by a social fight. Therefore I have concluded to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer, and put my money where it will do the most good.

I would just say to the gentlemen above named that, as I have no other business of importance to transact at Salt Lake at the time above specified, their non-attendance will be no serious disappointment to me, so far as I am concerned. In that section who have not had the pleasure of witnessing any of my pugilistic exercises, and as I expect President Grant to be present, I might rather prefer the gentlemen would accept my proposition.

I also wish just here to say to the students who are training under me that, from this time until the 31st of September, I will be at Montevideo Springs, where they can have their regular lessons as usual. All papers friendly to the cause will please copy.

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