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Malchy Hogan's Opinion of the Munroe-Jeffries Championship Fight.

PROSPECTS OF A BOUT HERE.

"Spider" Welch, Touted as a Coming Champion, Wants to Meet Jack Clifford.

Puring the past few days, two prominent champions in Fightland have come prominently before the public. They are "Young Corbett" and James J. Jeffries, the former by defeating Dave Sullivan, and the latter by making a match with Jack Munroe, the Butte miner. Fight fans all over the country are now talking of the coming battle between "Young Corbett" and Jimmy Britt, and Jeff's bout with the man from smoketown. Corbett has neatly trimmed up everything on the coast in the fighting line and the prospects are that he will take good care of Britt, the "idol of California." San Francisco ring followers, that is a great many of them, admit that Cor-bett is about the best in his class, but they profess to believe that Britt will turn the trick which other fighters have failed to do. But those who know Cor-bett best say that if he is in good shape, Britt will go the way of all the

rest. Concerning the other battle, the fol-lowing by Malchy Hogan, will prove interesting reading to Salt Lake de-votees of the game: In light of what Munroe did fo the settor we adver what he folled to de

sailor, or rather what he failed to do, the present champion need not lose any sleep for fear that his laurels will depart from him. Even the fact that the giant Hollander is on his trail need not disturb him to any great extent. Munroe is seemingly anxious for a meeting with the champion, and the meeting with the champion, and the preliminary articles were signed last. Monday. The Yosenite club of San Francisco has made a bid for the fight and offered a \$25,000 purse. The usurd winner's and loser's ends are supposed to be incompared in the articles. No to be incorporated in the articles. No date has been fixed for the fight, but

date has been fixed for the light take it is likely that the bout will take place during the first part of May.

he cares to with the mitts, he is now considering the advisability of trying hakespeare on them. Mr. Fitzsimmons admits his inten-Shakesbe hie told his manager he was tired of vaudeville-he was sick of the hero plays and he was weary of exhibiting

Being unable to knock out every one

himself. "It's just as easy to be a real actor," remarked, "and I'm going to study hard, too. I think I could eat up one of those 'Ivan the Terrible' things. I've seen worse actors tan I am doing the Shakespeare stunt and I'm going to try

Mr. Fitzsimmons' manager said the fighter was in carnest and he did not feel like trying to persuade him otherwise. At any rate, Mr. Fitzsimmons isn't going to attack us just yet. For the present he will remain in vaudeville and for the first time since they were married his wife, formerly Julia Gifford, of "When Johnny Comes Marching of "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" fame, will return to the stage.

WHAT SELEE THINKS.

Predicts That Pittsburg Will Not Win National League Pennant This Year.

Frank Selee, manager of the Chi-cago National league baseball team, is now in Los Angeles with his men, do-ing their spring practise. He arrived there early in the week, a little ahead of his men. He was chuck full of base-ball news of the kind that interest fans all over the country. In an interview a day or two ago, he made the prediction that Pittsburg will not win the pennant again this year, and he gave his reasons for the belief. Selee says: "Dreylus hasn't the pitching force he has had in days gone by. In the post-senson games the Pittsburg team had practically one pitcher. I don't say that as a knock at all; the Americans won because they had better pitchers and more of them, and were the best ball team, but those games illustrated the point. "I believe Cincinnati will make a bet-

ter bid for the honors this year than for many seasons past. Just what alls those Reds is hard to see; they don't usually do as well as might be ex-pected of them. Cincinnati is a hard town to keep ballplayers straight in: the team wins a few games and then acts as if it had the pennant cinched. But Joe Keily will play first base this year, and I believe he will get good results out of the bunch. This second baseman he has signed—Miller Hug-the sould to be shout the most gins-is said to be about the most promising infielder that ever came from the minor leagues. Kelley will have some good pitchers, and ought to make

his mark this year. "I think my own team will put up a hard fight. In fact, if I had two hard-hitting outfielders I believe I could win the pennant with the team. The infield is almost intact from last year: Chance first, Tinker short, Casey third: I have a good staff of plichers, and am strong on catchers with same capable fielders. The New York club looks very strong.



Africander is in the Lead.

DOMINO'S WONDERFUL RECORD.

The Mark Still Stands Unbeaten-Isinglass Stands at the Head of English Winners.

An interesting compliation has emanated from a famous Lexington, Ky., turf authority covering the world's biggest money winners on the running turf. The main tables are supplemented with a table covering the biggest money winners now on the turf which will race for further honors in 1904. America has not had an addition to her winners of \$100,000 or over since Sir Walter entered the charmed circle several years back, but there are now, as will be seen by this compilation, several horses in training this season that, with a little racing luck, can reach this high standard of turf excellency. Of the 15 big winners below given. which seem sure starters again in 1904, all but Advance Guard and Golden Heels raced last year. At present every indication points to these old veterans standing training this year, and the quality of each is of such high grade that one or the other may reach the \$100,000 line before the new rivals in the field, which developed during the past

season. The list follows AMERICAN WINNERS RACING.

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too." "I see they are making Morley a great deal of trouble over Dillon. Well, I don't know whether it is true that the rest of the league threw Morley the rest of the league threw Morley

Round 7-Martin went to work with much gaiety and hit his adversary in

the left eye, but he knapped in return

and some sharp fighting followed, but Randal was too brisk with his feet and

legs and in a close he weaved at his

antagonist's head. Both went down, Martin under.

both went down,

ages

Round 8-Both were piping and Mar-

Round 9-Randal placed a hit upon

the return and some manly infighting

took place, with nearly equal advant-

returned upon with a weltering fish hit

upon the mouth and thrown, after Ran-

dal had nimbly acted at close quarters.

Martin's head began to exhibit un-

Round 11-Both winded again, but

Round 13 .- Martin made a good right-

handed hit upon Randal's lug which staggered him, but like a sailor board-

ing an enemy he got hold of him and

never left him until he gained his cor-ner by weaving and throwing. In one

Martin's returns in this round he

calped his adversary's forehead. Round 14-Randal placed left and

ight heavy hits on his, man's already

Round 15-Martin placed a weak hit pon his adversary's head, but it was

o severely returned that he had no

lternative left but to turn his adversary up as an out and out busy cus-tomer who never left his head alone.

In the close Randal-when even going down with his man-hit him again left

and right on the head in a manner which astonished the spectators. Round 16-Randal went in upon the

offensive, and fought his man to all

parts of the ring, and when he thought he gave him enough he threw him.

Rounds 17 and 18-it was the wish that Martin should be taken away, but

he wanted another trial, and the next

Rounr 19-Randall knocked his man

own-the first clean one during the

But few observations are necessary.

weight. He is like a bird upon the bough of a tree, always in action, and

battle, and Burn resigned the com-

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HUNDRED THOUSAND OR OVER.

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England's great list of huge winners has been increased by three horses in the last few years. Epsom Lad, Scepter and Rock Sand, winner of the Derby, St. Leger, and the Two Thou-sand Guineas in 1903, all being way up now as money winners on the turf. Scepter now ranks as the biggest money winner among mares, having at

money winner among mares, having at last taken down the record of the sensational La Fieche. A comparison of these tables shows we are still behind England in this respect, her array of win-ners of \$100,000 and over totaling 27 to America's 16. Giadiateur and Rayon D'Or in England's table were French bred horses, but earned the bulk of their winnings on the English turf. On the other hand, but by winning the Grand Prix in France, Robert the Devil and Cremore would not figure in this com-pilation of enormous money winners. The list follows

HIGH ENGLISH WINNERS.

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C,	Name- St Isinglass	. 12	11	1	1.1	140	\$280,675
6	Isinglass Donovan	. 21	18	2	1		278,770
	Scepter	. 22	13	3	2	- 4+	201,537
1	Scepter La Fleche	. 24	16	3	2	- 4	200,000
	Flying Fox	. 11	9	2			196,400
	Ayrshire	. 16	11	1	3	1	179,500
1	Persimmon	. 9	7	1	1	1.1	174,203
6	San. Frusquin	11	8	2		1	163,493
6	Ayrshire Persimmon San. Frusquin Orme Gladiateur Rock Sand	. 18	14	3		1	162.63
	Gladiateur	. 19	16	38	1	2	155,856
	Rock Sand	13	10	1	2	1.64	148,264
	Ormonde : sussesses	10	13		1.4	1.8.8	192.323
	Sure Foot	16	8	1	1	6	133.280
	Galtee Moore	12	10	1	1.1	1	130,961
	Lord Lyon Tristan	. 21	17	- 3	1	- 44	127,82
t.	Tristan	53	29	12	6	6	126,300
ŧē.	Rayon d'Or	23	7	2	- 3	- 11	122 14
0	Sea Breeze	23	11	5	4	3	121.330
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J,	Epsom Lad	. 14	5	2	121	1	112,533
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۴B	Bendigo	. 16	6			1.12	109.99
	Cremorne	. 26	20.	4	2		103,133
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GIM. ROUNDING 'EM UP.

Former Lobster Chief is Determined to Go After the Ponnant.

Salt Lake, champion team of the Pacific National league!

How does that look? It may not count very much now, but at the end of the season it will look pretty nice to Salt Lake fans. Is there any reason

why the pennant shoul at float in this town? We don't be so, and neither does "Father Gimlin," the ex-Lobster chief who will manage the team for Salt Lake this season. H views are shared by all of his associates, and they have started out with the determination to gather up a bunch of players able to travel in company about as fast as any that can be pro-duced in the league. Six good men have already been landed and Gimlin is now out for more and he will get them. During the week he made a trip to Logan for the purpose of securing the autograph of Eddle Hahn to a Salt Lake contract. It will be remembered by local fans that Hahn is a pitcher and outfielder of no mean ability; that he played with the Logan team with "Ducky" Pace, and that he demon-strated that he is good enough for this or any other town in the league. Be sides being a good thrower. Hahn is a rattling good batter, and already his services have been in demand by other teams. There are several other good men on the string, but Gimlin will be extremely careful in his selection of them. He is determined to get to-Round 5-Some good fighting to the advantage of Randal, who kept the gether a champion team and win the pennant for Salt Lake, and if there is any man in this neck of the woods who claret flowing from the smeller, Mar-Round 6-Randal made a good body hit with the left hand and got away, is able to accomplish that much desired and then rallied very spiritedly at the result that man is Gimlin. head and both went down in a close

Leger, Iroquois, secured his huge earnings on foreign soil. A list of these stars and their turf records follow: HUNDRED THOUSAND OR OVER. HUNDRED THOUSAND OR OVER.

players. Griffith has been on the pitching slab for about 16 years, and while he is not particularly speedy, and does not pos-sess a wonderful collection of curves, he manages to hold his own. He never goes "wrong" or gives out. He uses his head and takes good care of him-self self.

"There is no exercise like playing ball," said "Grif" 'to me when I asked him the best way for a man to keep

healthy and strong. "Its chief value," 'he continued. "is that it is played in the open air. It keeps a man's mind always alert, and 19 109,007 7 101,613 he is constantly on the move, employing the long muscles that carry the body and widen the chest. His exertions re-quire deep breathing, and extend the lungs to their utmost capacity. "But every one cannot play ball," I

edged in. "I know it," said "Grif," "but he can keep himself in proper shape without working for his bread and butter on the diamond. I know a man who never playd ball in his life, but who is a great over of the game. He uses his knowl-

edge of it to preserve his condition, and

he never knows what it is to be ill or to find himself short winded. And he is 50 years old.

"Yes, all by his lonesome. There are plenty of loose stones lying about. He selects a mark, a tree or a rock, or puts an old tin can-there are also plenty of these around (the goats grow them for years old. "As to the how?" "His business is such that he has the mornings to himself. He rises early in fine weather and after a breakfat, in which fruit always figures, he takes a walk to one of the uptown, West Side ferries. There he boards a ferryboat. Standing on the forward deck, he drinks in all the good, fresh air that is to be found on the river, free from the city's dust. at the mark. "Now, throwing stones may not seem a particularly enlivening pastime or the acme of physical culture, but it is the way he does it. "With the stone in his hand he goes through all the motions known to the professional ballplayer. He is a fan and knows what they do. You've seen a twirler wind up before heh delivers the ball? Wil, that widing up is one of the best exercises in the world. It city's dust.

The ferry lands him on the Jersey shore, along where the Palisades afford shore, along where the Palisades afford him some mountain climbing. When he gets to the top, with just enough un-certainty as to foothold in many spots to make it entertainingly risky, he's ired in the legs and his lungs are de-manding plent ow renewals. There is no one about to think he is some kind of a crankthe few who do sensible things strange to the foolish

sensible things strange to the foolish many are always cranks—and he stretches himself down at full length on the grass and enjoys to the full a short rest.

"The best physical culture is that which teaches you to work hard while you work and rest hard when you rest. "Then he gets up and pitches ball." "What?"

ing the chest and back of it, thereby stretch, opening for business. The swaying of the arms rubs off lots of dead skin and gives the muscles of the shoulders and back something to do. "The mental occupation, without which all physical exercises are incom-plete, is obtained by trying to hit the "Then my friend finds a stick in the woods and does a little fungo batting. When it is time to go home he has the excitement of stumbling down the side of the hill."

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the ball r will, that withing up is one of the best exercises in the world. It raises the arm, both arms in fact, over the head and back of it, thereby stretch.

these around (the goats grow them for fodder)-on a stump and throws stones

SOMERSET MAUGHAM MAY BE ANOTHER PINERO. Strength of Young Author's Play Seems to Stamp Him As a Coming Man-Relentless Picture of What Followed a Marriage Made for the Sake of Principle-

"Curtain Raisers" Succeeded by Vaudeville at Frohman's London Theaters - D'Annunzio Playing in Hard Luck.

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ONDON, Feb. 27 .- W. Somerset | was produced by Miss Muriel Wylford. Maugham may prove to be a one. an actress little known in London, and play man, but if the young author

of "A Man of Honor" has not used up all his ideas in writing this striking work, his future place in the ranks of British dramatists seems likely to be an uncommonly prominent one. Maugham, who is barely 30, attracted attention a few years ago, with a sordidly realistic slum-novel called, "Liz of Lambeth," and he followed up this success with "Mrs. Craddock," another book with a lot of grip in it. His play at the Avenue, "A Man of Honor," was heard of first rather over

a year ago, when it was paid the high compliment of publication in the Fortnightly Review. Soon after, it was played at a special matinee by the Stage society, an organization whose attage society.

who announced that her tenancy of the theater would last a fortnight only. But both play and actress, who took the role of Jenny Bush, the barmaid, thrilled a first-night audience so unmistakably that there was little doubt that "A Man of Honor" could run for many a fort-light. Now comes the approximation of Honor' could run for many a fort-night. Now comes the announcement that after Miss Wylford's lease of the Avenue terminates, "A Man of Honor" will be transferred to Terry's-where Captain Hood's latest comedy has just Capitaln Hood's latest comedy has just fizzled out—so there seems every prob-ability that the strongest play pro-duced here in many a long day has gained the favor which it is generally admitted to deserve. That it will be seen in the United States seems a foregone conclusion.

At Charles Frohman's London thea-



place during the first part of ally. It is idle to speculate on the result, as the importance of the fight simply lies in the fact that the mill will be for the world's championship. I do not the world's championship. I do not think there is anyone who thinks that Munroe has a look in. The miner's claim to fame is based on his four-round bout with the champion at Butte. By judicious sprining Munroe stayed the limit, and good press no-tions the root. Each there tices have done the rest. Right there and then he was picked as Jeffries' next opponent, and although he flunk-ed out a match with the boiler-maker later on coriously enough it now seems certain that he will be his next op-

That Munroe has improved somewhat That Munroe has improved somewhat was evident judging from his fight with Tom Sharkey. That the latter was "all in" was also made apparent, but let Munroe have all the credit that is coming to him. He hit Sharkey hard enough make the latter groggy at one or two stages of the contest, but this does not signify that he can do the same thing to Jeffries. The champion has been hit before, but I am not aware that it hurt him very much. He always looked for more.

As for cleverness, Jeffries has a good shade on the miner. The latter did not show any Corbett stunts in his bout with Sharkey, although "Kid" McCoy has taught him a good many tricks which he did not know before. A couple of more months in the hands of such ring artists as McCoy, Corbett or Ryan may make considerable difference in his

may make considerable difference in his fighting ability, but allowing for every-thing I can see nothing but Jeffries. Munroe's friends and admirers claim that the miner has a knock-out punch, and, should he land on Jeffries' jaw or solar plexus there will be a new cham-pion halling from the wilds of Monpion halling from the wilds of Mon-tana. Fitzsimmons, who could also hit some, said the same thing. Sharkey, when in his prime, could land a blow that would cave in the ordinary man. Both of them landed on all of Jeffries' vulnerable points, but it is not on re-cord that the champion suffered any inconvent ence from the folts. From inconvent ence from the jolts. From this it might be safety argued that there will be no new champion as long as Jeffries keeps in good health and can eat three meals a day

"Spider" Welch, a San Francisco lightweight boxer who is touted as a comer by coast sporting authorities, appears to be extremely anxious to come try to Salt Lake for the purpose of ing conclusions with Jack Clifford Buddy Ryan, Battling Nelson Buddy Ryan, Batting Relation, or any other good man in his class. During the week he has been keeping the wires hot in com-municating with Manager Kelley con-cerning a match. The latter could give gim no definite answer for the generation that predictions were already reason that negotiations were already on with Jack O'Keefe to come here about April 1 to meet Clifford. It is not known whether the Chicago boy has fully recovered from his illness whether he is willing to meet If O'Keefe does not fell able to ford. me, efforts will be made to arrange match for Welch. The following "Spider" is from the pen of a San Francisco sporting authority:

Spider Welch is, if anything, an ec-centric fellow. The night he fought George Fuller at Colma and defeated him, the sports marvelled at the great exhibition he put up, but few knew under what conditions the Spider had prepared himself for this encounter. The tall lad is the owner of a ple bakery way out in the lonely wilds of the mission, and on the day of the con-test Welch baked 600 ples, sold and felivered them and then hurried down town to Harry Corbett's and weighed in for the bout, and a few hours later he walloped the stuffing out of Mr. Fuller in as good a fight as the fans would care to look at. Baking 600 ples in one day is quite a trick, but to combine this task with giving a husky pruiser a sound thrashing makes the performance n bit stronger.

Could you imagine "Kid" McCoy playing Laertes to Bob Fitzsimmons" Hamlet

Or Tom Sharkey's lago to Jack Munroe's Otheilo'

Or Corbett's Julius Caesar to Jim Jeffries' Brutus?

We're going to us. We're going to get it. And we're going to get it good. Mr. Fitzsimmons is going to start be built come

down as I have been told, but I do He know Dillon is an excellent man. is a first class manager as well as a fine ballplayer, and such men are scarce, I don't blame Morley for want-ing to hold onto him."

record in this respect looks safe for years to come, But 16 horses bred in years to come. But 16 horses bred in America have won as much as \$100,000



Interesting Account of a Ring Fight Which Occurred Over a Hundred Years Ago-Jack Randall vs Martin.

Between 1790 and the close of that ; went down, Randal under century the best heavyweight in England was Jack Randal, the "Irish Lad." tin was again thrown heavily. The following account of his battle with Martin is taken from an old print:

It will sound strange to modern ears that it was thought a wonder at that time for lovers of the sport to travel 30 miles to witness a championship mill. But it may be that 30 miles was a longer journey than that from New York to San Francisco is now. It also seems quaint to our ears that "they didn't mind the wetness of the morning.

The expression "150 1 to 100 1" means £150 in money.

"A close" has the same meaning as a clinch in modern ring parlance. In the old London ring rules wrestling was important, and it was the aim of each fighter to throw his man as heavily and with as much damage as possible. It frequently happened that when a man was thrown the other fellow sunk his knee in his throat or wind as he went down.

conth appearances, and his fine features were spoiled. This round ended by Martin being throw and odds were of-"He knapped in return" looks like a poser, but it probably meant that Martin was sluggish, sleepy, caught nap-ping. "Weaving at his head" is much fered but $n\sigma$ takers. Randal had brought his stone weight to an equalping. easier of explanation. It was taken ity with his own, and he grassed good from the motion of the weaver and naturedly corresponds to the slugging of the presparent galety, and threw his man across the ropes, but Randal, who ex-"Piping," of course, is out of "Grassed" signified being ent time. wind. signified thrown, sent to grass, on which they cels all men at close quarters, gave him the twist and floored him.

fought Burn was Martin's chief second, and when he "resigned the combat" he threw up the sponge.

There is one error in the print. It will be readily detected. Round 13 reads "31.

The story The year of the battle is not given,

but it was about 1795 The great match between Randal and Martin took place on May 4 on Crowley Downs, more than 30 miles from London, and the spectators were at least 20,000 of all kinds of milling admirers, notwithstanding the distance from London and the wetness of the morning. At one the men stripped, with Burn and Harry Harmes for Mar-tin and Oliver and Tom Jones for Randal. Randal was matched 150 - to 100 1, and betting was 7 to 4 upon him; and even betting that he and Carter who

fought Spring in the same ring, won, Round 1-Martin hit out with his right hand, which was partied, and Randal broke ground, watching an opportunity to get in by feints, and plac-ed a left-handed hit upon the body. Martin sparred him into a corner of the ring, but Randal maneuvered himself out and placed two hits, one of which drew blood freely from the nose. In a close Martin threw him.

Round 2-Martin made play with much determination, and several hits No man ever entered a ring so accom-plished a puglist as Randal of 11 stone were exchanged, but Rondall avoided their force by a measurement of distance, and Martin threw him again. Round 3-Martin went to fighting again, but he failed in judging his distance and when he received another hit on the nose and Randall gave him heavy fell on the back of his head-3 to 1 on Randal.

Round 4-A close followed after Mar-

FAMOUS JOHN L. BELT. Celebrated \$10,000 Trophy Will be Ex

hibited at St. Louis.

There have been a good many stories of late about the famous John L. Sullivan \$10,000 belt. Some writers claim. ed it was in New York while others had it at Boston. The fact is that it tin seemed to be cautious in making more play. It was a hugging round and is now in a Philadelphia cafe. It is owned by Jerry Donoghue, a prominent sporting man, and an ardent follower of the game of upper cut and jab. He had business reasons for purchasing the mark, and Martin was short upon the belt of burnished gold and glittering jewels. When asked what he proges. Both down. Round 10-Martin hit short and was posed to do with it he said:

"Ill make \$50,000 out of it With Sullivan excluded from most of yellow notes in circulation, this the statement was interesting.

"Exhibiting it at the St. Louis fair, replied Donogrue. "The women want to see that belt. I'll charge 10 cents ad-mission, sell pictures of John and a book of his life. There's all kinds of money in it."

Donoghue is a very rich man. He made it all himself. No doubt he is right on the belt venture. Round 12-Martin rushed in with ap-But John L. couldn't have done it.

WALTHOUR AND LAWSON.

Bobbie Goes to Europe and Takes Gus sie Along With Him.

Bobby Walthour, of Atlanta, won the six-day race at Madison Square Garden last December and who holds the mile record of 1.06, has sailed for Europe, where he will compete against the best middle-distance riders f Paris and Berlin.

The speedy rider who won 47 races out of 53 starts last year, took Gus-sie Lawson, well known in Salt Lake, with him as a pacemaker, and also his manager, Eli Weinsett, who is ac-knowledged to be an expert on motor machines.

Walthour has a contract with Victor Breyer, manager of the Buffalo track in Paris, for six races against any one who cares to meet him. The brown-legged southerner does expect to secure victories without rid-ing fast, and just before sailing on the steamer he said that with proper pace-making he expected to cover miles in a minute, in order to win over the French and German riders. Waithour will return to America about May first for the middle distance races, which will be a feature of most of the bicycle tracks this season.

TO KEEP IN CONDITION.

Clark Griffith, New York Pitcher, Giv e His Method of Training.

finishes well that which he begins, How to keep in a good physical con-dition is a subject that has received considerable attention at the hands of eastern writers of late. The following article by a nathletic authority, gives an interview with Clark Griffith, man-Martin, a game man, never turned the fight, and his fault is in misjudging but they all fall into that fault who fight with him, or rather he leads them into it. Randal fought an interview with Clark Griffith, man-ager and playing captain of the New

tention is confined generally to works which, for one reason or another are "impossible" from the standpoint of the ordinary theatrical manager. To every one who saw this private performance of "A Man of Honor," however, it was obvious that Mr. Maugham not only had written a really great play but one that, with comparatively slight alteration, should produce box-office recelpts, so there was little surprise over the announcement that the piece was to be given a regular production at the Avenue-a house, by the way, which has proved a "hoodoo" ever since the departure of Charles Hawtrey and "A Message From Mars."

"A Man of Honor" tells the story of a marriage which is made mistakenly and ends in tragedy. Basil Kent is a and ends in tragedy. Basil Kent is a clever young barrister, with a literary bent, whose chances in life seem par-ticularly good. He entangles himself with a barmaid, however, and when it becomes evident that she is in trouble, determines to many her, for the sake determines to marry her, for the sake of principle. He really is in love with a society woman, but this does not give him pause, nor does the fact that his him pause, nor does the fact that his fiancee—Jeinie Bush—is undentably common and has a horde of most de-testable relatives. He will marry her: he is a "man of honor." In the second act, we find them living in the suburbs, discount a bush massed since their six months having passed since their marriage. Their baby has died and with it every possible chance of any-thing like happiness on their part. The woman's lack of breeding revolts the man of refinement, his icy politeness drives her into hysteria. Things are made worse by the constant visits of her brother, an unspeakable "bound-

er." So things have gone until Basil, sick at heart, has sought relief by re-mingling with the folk who were his associates before his Quiotic marriege. Once more he sees Mrs. Murray, the woman he really loves, and the the woman he really loves, and the two are together a good deal. Basil's wife finds this out by dint of spying upon him and reading his letters, and their quarrels over this subject make things worse than ever. Perhaps the product strength of the play-which is greatest strength of the play-which is written with real brilliancy-lies what might be called its author's lack of blas: the misery of the couple is not the fault of Basil Kent; it is not the fault of his wife; it is the almost inevfault of his wife; it is the almost inev-itable result of such a marriage, Mat-ters reach a crisis when Basil's wife follows him to Mrs. Murray's and sur-prises him telling her rival that he loves her. She upbraids them both, when the man drops the mask entirely and tells her-what she has realized be-fore-that he never really loved her, but married her as a matter of prin-ciple. The broken-hearted woman goes and drowns herself. At first Kent is and drowns herself. At first Kent is overwhelmed with grief and self-re-proach, but as the play ends he is beginning to realize that he is free and the curtain fails as he exclaims. "How low a man may fail when he attempts

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By declaring defiantly that his new play, "The Daughter of Jario," will be produced next month, happen what may, Signor Gabriele D'Annunzio demwhat onstrates convincingly that he is not superstitious. For, right from the beginning, circumstances have combined in such an extraordinary fashion to delay the arrangement for staging the play that an author who believed in signs and omens might have concluded that the fates were against its produc-tion. First, one of the leading actresses engaged had to give up her part. Then Signor D'Annunzio discovered that nearly everyone of the remaining members of the cast had misunderstood the date at which he proposed to put on the play, and were under contract to someone else. Hardly had this been straight. ened out, than Signorina Duse had a dispute with one of the other female members of the cast over the distribu-tion of parts. Then the Duse-for whom the piece had been written especiallyfell ill with pneumonia, and was or-dered to take a long rest! You would have thought the dramatist's cup was full by this time—but not at all! The first scenepainter, Michetti, also came down with sickness, and a day or two ago, Gerragati, another artist, who was called in hurriedly to take the work in hand, broke his leg in coming down a ladder.



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