

WHY TERRY PICKS CORBETT TO WIN.

Believes Featherweight Champion Will Take Eddie Hanlon's Measure.

IT WILL NOT GO THE LIMIT.

McGovern Says the Champion is a Terrible Puncher and Can Stand Lots of Punishment.

It is a well known fact that Terry McGovern, former featherweight champion of the world, picks "Young Corbett" to defeat Eddie Hanlon in their championship battle this month. In the following McGovern gives his reason for taking the Corbett side of the match, and they are good, sound sensible reasons, too:

"Corbett is a terrible puncher. He is a clever fighter, too, and there are few who can take a punching like the champion. He seems to be armor proof, for he is able to recover from the effects of a blow more quickly than most fighters, and is a good husky lad and is not afraid to mix it."

"Hanlon is a different fighter altogether. That is his style differs materially from that of Corbett. He is a very scientific boxer and depends more on his science than he does his hitting powers. His clever tactics will have little effect upon Corbett. The only way he can defeat the champion is to go right in and get to him hard. But, then, he leaves himself open to attack, and that is just what Corbett likes. It is always his desire to get his opponent to come to him, and then he has him just where he wants him in a mix-up Corbett is at home and knows the other fellow has the punch he is to come out second best."

"Corbett has a great deal at stake in this fight, and as he is a very cautious fighter, he is likely to be a little more cautious than in his previous fights. Still I can't figure out how he is going to fight easy. Both are anxious to carry off the honors, and just as soon as they begin to mix it up the bout is apt to end in a hurry. I believe that there will be a knockout, and that Corbett will be the one that will get the elbow home first. Although I look for Corbett to win, it makes little difference to me who comes out the winner. I want it understood that I will be ready to fight the winner for the championship. If Corbett is the winner, then I will sign articles with him for a match in the ring. If Hanlon is the winner, then I will sign articles with him for a match in the ring. I am capable of winning back the championship, and nothing would suit me better than to get a chance to regain the ring."

"I have been taking the best of care of myself for some time past, and the few light bouts in which I have taken part have put me in good form. Any boxer is apt to have a few off fights. I have had two, and both of them were with Corbett. That luck can't last forever, and if we were to meet again I feel confident that I would turn the tables on him. It is my ambition to regain the championship, and if successful will probably quit the ring."

RACES AT INGLESID.

Long Price Horses Were to the Fore in Yesterday's Events.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—Long price horses were to the fore at Ingleside today. Arthur Ray took the first race at odds of 15 to 1; Soufriere, a 15 to 1 chance, scored in the third, and Harry Thatcher, played from 15 to 1, led the field in the last. Some of the spectators differed with the judges when they placed Soufriere first in the fifth race. Corral came with a rush, but did not quite get up. Through the slingshot of a strap, Jockey Wonderly, who rode Royal Hogue, lost a stirrup in the six-furlong handicap, and the accident may have affected the result, as Burns was forced to ride Kenilworth hard to beat him. Soufriere was sold from \$200 to \$300 by T. C. Dearman, but she was retained. Summary: Selling—Arthur Ray won, idios second, Illion third. Time—1:16.

Second race, six furlongs, purse—Military Man won, Dargin second, Fica third. Time—1:16.

Third race, five and a half furlongs, selling—Soufriere won, Lansdowne second, Albemarle third. Time—1:09.

Fourth race, six furlongs, handicap—Kenilworth won, Royal Hogue second, Ficus third. Time—1:14.

Fifth race, mile and seventy yards, selling—Shirvan won, Corral second, Harry Thatcher third. Time—1:48.

Sixth race, seven furlongs, selling—Harry Thatcher won, Ray Dare second, Bill Massie third. Time—1:30.

Pug Out on \$3,000 Bail.

Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 21.—The coroner's jury in the case of Tom Pondreast, the pugilist, who died a few hours after the fight with Kid Williams last Friday night, returned a verdict that "deceased

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