

# News of the Sporting World at Home and Abroad

## HORSE RACE MEET OPENS MONDAY.

Fifty One Hundred Fast Animals  
Will Compete During Six  
Days.

## MUCH FUN FOR PURPLE DAY

Elks Will Celebrate Next Thursday  
With Chariot and Mule Races—  
Events Go Until Saturday.

Beginning next Monday afternoon and continuing until and including Saturday afternoon, lovers of the sport of kings throughout the world will have a chance to get their fill of good things in the racing line. Beginning Monday what will undoubtedly prove the greatest race meet ever held in Utah, will take

in which it is to be conducted, and the intense interest centered in the affair, there seems to be no reason why the meet should not prove the leading sporting event, locally, of the year 1905.

### JUST A LITTLE LUCK.

Some Great Horses That Were Bought For a Song.

A few instances of what can be secured by a little horse experience, the great Morello was sold for \$100, passed over by half a hundred men who should have known better, to later have \$60, was refused for him, winning the Futurity when a rich horse. Hamburg Belle was sold for \$3,000, and Sidney Paget had almost to be clubbed into buying by William Easton, and having secured her, offered her to the late William C. Whitney for the same amount a year later, and also to two other men.

Mr. Whitney agreed to take her, but withdrew, when his son remarked they had already the same blood at the stud. Yet Mr. Paget freely gave \$40,000 for two Watercross youngsters, Watercross and another, which did not turn out particularly well. Racehand was sold for \$240, to be later sold to the late August Belmont for \$17,000 as a gelding. Last year Chimney Sweep, a useful horse, went out without a bid. James H. Keene would never have bought Domino but for Easton, whose judgment was opposed by Foxhall Keene and his trainer, Wynham Walden.

Even when Mr. Keene had secured the colt, later to win him over \$200,000,



C. J. CRABTREE AND HIS PET MULE.

Famous Long Eared Racer That Will Run on Purple Day.

The above is an exclusive photo of C. J. Crabtree, a prominent local horseman, and his famous racing mule, "Alce-Gum-Flick-Tum-By-Gor-lac." This mule has been known to make a mile under 15 minutes, and it is said that he can even kick harder than he can run. The animal is entered for the mule and chariot races to be given on Purple day, which is Thursday, the 27th. Manager W. S. Jones has arranged these races as a feature of the six days' meet. Several mules are entered by Jones for the Elks, and each lodge in the state will be represented by something like the above. Mr. Crabtree is the owner of the well known horse Crab Apple, one of the speediest animals in the state.

preparing for a season of Shakespearean tragedy, this Rialto thinking over the whole matter, old Bob Fitzsimmons, the man who, despite his years, could win against any of them, is bound for Paris.

According to all accounts in musical and theatrical circles, as well as pugilistic quarters, Fitzsimmons, after a checkered matrimonial career, is once again sailing in the troubled waters of doubt and adversity. A short time ago Mrs. Fitzsimmons, who has a strong but not cultivated voice, proposed to

go to Paris and take vocal lessons for a year, when she felt that she would be able to shine in grand opera and earn enough money to keep the entire family in splendor. Fitzsimmons consented to this arrangement.

It is whispered in theatrical circles that the young woman, who was an actress before she married the great fighter, would not again return to her first love, but that she would remain in Paris. It is the purpose of ascertaining the facts in the case that Fitzsimmons is now en route to Paris.

dead, the races being suspended or the track going up in smoke. In fact it seems that the races are about as good as of yore, which is saying considerable.

Fighters from all over the country are writing to Willard Bean asking for dates here, but Bean is telling them one and all that there will be nothing doing so far as he is concerned, until along in September. He has a number of good cards in mind.

Reports from Dawson City, where Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and "Foxy" Sullivan hooked up in a 20-round bout on July 4, state that while O'Brien had all the better of the bout, it was called a draw for the good reason that Sullivan refused to sign the articles unless it was agreed that if he was "on his feet" at the end of 20 rounds the fight should be a draw.

The men are rematched and will shortly "do it again." In the meantime Jack O'Brien has bought New York drafts and sent them to Philadelphia for his share of the \$20,000 gate they drew in Alaska. The picking must be good in that part of the country.

James White, the English lightweight champion, who recently fought James Edward Britt of San Francisco for the lightweight championship, is back at his home in Birmingham, England. When questioned as to the way he had been treated by the American sports, White said he was never treated better in all his life, and that everything possible was done to make his visit a pleasant one.

He says in Britt he found a speedy two-handed boxer who could take any amount of punishment. White further stated that he would make another trip here this fall, when he would engage in some six-round bouts before again tackling Britt. Britt has promised White a return match.

Danny Maher, the American jockey, who was such a baseball fan in the old days when he was riding around the metropolitan tracks, has gone in for cricket over in England.

Here is a description from a London paper of a game in which Danny played. "One expected a crowd at the Crystal Palace yesterday, but the attendance was disappointing at the Huntsmen vs. Jockeys' cricket match, the latter being defeated by 5.

The Huntsmen consisted of first, second and third, of these would be considered as taking a tenable position in disputing the claim of Hart.

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"George Williamson, who, by the way,

presented a bad to the highest scorer in each team, himself made the best total for the Jockeys—a "Morphy" Cannon, who next battled displayed, as also did his brother, Kempton, both getting "blows."

Danny Maher made a much better display, his total being 16. The popular jockey was bowled by Scott, and H. Woodland was bowled by Spence for 1.

J. H. Martin scored a "duck" and J. Chandler, together with W. Loftiga, made the last stand, the former making 1 and the latter 4.

"The Jockeys' grand total was 136."

There has been so much printed and said about Marvin Hart's claims to the championship that everything pertaining to him is interesting. Lou Houston, a man, who is nothing if not loyal to Jack Root, in a letter attempts to defend Hart's claims, and thereby boosts Root's stock.

Here is what Lou says: Marvin Hart of Louisville, keeps the center of the stage, and the spot-light man has been given the alternative of keeping the glow focused on the star or cutting his job.

In Louisville, on the arrival of Marvin, his loyal townsmen ran amuck in their heroic endeavor to do him honor. Bands met him at the depot, escorted him to the banquet hall, which, dined and made much of him.

And why not? They tell you that, out in California, the native son sentiment is so pronounced and so strong that others than native sons never get a chance to put in a word edgewise. This is a quality to be commended rather than condemned. And if this is so in California, why not in Kentucky? "Mr. Comiskey, do you think your boys own the championship?"

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## TIM MURNANE'S BASEBALL GOSSIP

Charley Comiskey Always Believed  
He Had a Champion  
Team.

## PLAYERS WHO WENT WRONG

Last Season His Team Was in the  
Championship Running Until the  
Best of Them Fell Down.

Tim Murnane, the well known sporting writer, and probably the best authority on baseball, says that Charles Comiskey, president of the Chicago Americans, not only but gray and big since peering up the playing end of the game, was looking at the practice of beating under the grand stand, when a stranger turned to him and asked: "Mr. Comiskey, do you think your boys own the championship?"

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WEALTHY HORSEMAN PUT OUT OF THEATRE.

E. R. Thomas, the banker and sportsman, is very indignant after being ejected from the dressing room of Miss Anna Fitzhugh, an actress at the Morrison theater, Rockaway Beach. Mr. Thomas has threatened P. H. Morrison, the owner of the theater, with a suit for \$25,000 damages. Mr. Morrison says it is against the rules of the house for men to enter the dressing rooms of women performers. Mr. Thomas declares he was visiting the actress on her own invitation, and this statement is indorsed by Miss Fitzhugh. After the play Mr. Thomas, accompanied by Miss Fitzhugh and Miss Blanche Hing, walked around to the box office and demanded Mr. Morrison to apologize. The manager apologized, but Mr. Thomas understood that the rules of the theater were to be lived up to.

champion. The argument is made that Jeffries cannot hand the title over to one after the fashion in which he would present a cutclaim to some one of his 19 lately acquired boxing lads in Los Angeles. Suppose he cannot. Is there any heavy-weight now before the public who can put up a better claim to the title than can Hart?

Fitzsimmons is out of it positively. Corbett disavows any claim to the title.

Gus Ruhlin has long since ceased to be a serious contender.

Goldie is an unknown quantity. Jack Johnson has already suffered a defeat at the hands of Marvin.

George Gardner was whipped by Jack Root the last time the pair met, and Hart won over Root.

In the meantime, along might come a John Willie or a Mike Schreck, or possibly, again, a Jack Root and topple over the doughy cobweb, but until such time, neither of these would be considered as taking a tenable position in disputing the claim of Hart.

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ATTENDANCE OVER 200,000.

It would take a great many boxes by New York to give new life to the National race. If the Atlanta would commence to worry this south, of course the others, and the half of the season would be full of good sport.

President Dan Johnson informs me that the attendance at the American League games up to date is over 200,000 over last season at the same time. In Boston alone the attendance has averaged 1,500 over last season to a game.

I am fully convinced that Chicago is one of the three cities that will support two major league clubs, Philadelphia and New York being the other two.

Judging from what I hear, Chicago has all the other cities beat a mile when it comes to amateur baseball clubs. For years Philadelphia and later St. Louis was the leader of the amateur leagues, and "Grand-papa" Morgan was close up for a while, but not one of these cities was a marked for Chicago at the present time. With the two major leagues playing two local amateur clubs draw over 5,000 people.

On a trip around Chicago last Sunday I passed several small parks and open fields with interesting games taking place, and I was especially surprised at the skillfulness of the crowd and players. Most of the games were being played in thickly populated neighborhoods with seemingly no objection from the citizens. While I am not altogether in favor of Sunday ball playing by the major leagues, I certainly believe in allowing the amateurs full swing with Sunday ball, and think the cities of the east could copy Chicago to advantage.

It was recreation of a single and cheap nature that made all better for the two hours spent at the ball game. This army of youngsters will develop many a star ball player, although the majority of the players come from the small towns.



CHAMPION FRANK KRAMER

### CHAMPION SPRINTER OF THE WORLD.

Frank Kramer, who claims to be the champion bicycle sprinter of the world, has been winning many laurels abroad. Kramer is well known on all the tracks of America. He is a man that has put all his time in his work and has raised himself to the foremost rank in the country. Kramer expects to ride in this country next season and pull some more honors his way.

place. While horsemen realize the importance of this big event, the general "off devices" perhaps do not.

The races are under the auspices of the Western Racing association, and all the events will be conducted under the rules governing the American Sporting association. The races will be managed by Mr. W. S. Jones of the Utah association, and he has spared neither time or labor or expense to give Salt Lake a great meet. Over \$2,000 in cash has been hung up, and all an owner has to do to get a nice horse is to put on a horse that can win the coin. The coin is there, and it is up to the horse to make good.

There will be about 100 horses, runners, trotters and pacers seen in the coming events. Practically all the speedsters that have been following the western circuit in Denver and Colorado Springs will be here, and in addition to these all the fast ones known to Salt Lake and patrons will be on hand.

A feature of the meet will be the running races. The program each day will be varied. There will be harness events as well as running races, and on the 25th, there will be a big match race between four of the fastest horses ever seen here. They are Jim Wilkes, Angus Duran, Joe McDevore and May Thom.

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# SALT AIR! SALT AIR! BRETON THE CHASM LEAPING THE CHASM IN AN AUTOMOBILE

Leaping the Chasm  
In An Automobile

The Most Hazardous Feat Ever Accomplished by Man.

THE DAREDEVIL,  
Will Perform This Great Feat Twice  
Each Day For One Week Commencing  
Saturday, July 15, 7:30 and  
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### WHAT MCGRAW SAID

To an Exceedingly Fresh Young Twitler  
Who Knew It All.

"Why is it that so many minor league players, who look awfully good in the spring practice with the major teams down south, fall down so lamentably when the regular season opens?" someone asked of Pitcher Joss of the Cleveland team the other day.

"I don't just plain, everyday fear," said the Elks. "It begins to assert itself as soon as the team starts north. There was a pitcher with the Naps of San Antonio last year who looked like a wildcat to me. I could see him on the top round of American League pitchers and myself in the minors until we started our zigzag course for the north. The farther north we got the worse he grew, until when it was time to open the season in St. Louis he was all in. It was fear—just plain fear—that did him."

"A young fellow from some red-apple league joined the Baltimore club when I was with McGraw in 1901," says Jim Jackson. "One day he came on the field in a befuddled condition and started in to practice."

"Here, sonny," said McGraw, "where did you get it?"

"Honest, Cap, I haven't had anything but a few lemon seltzers," said the recruit.

"Well, you run right home," said McGraw. "If lemon and seltzer makes you feel that way, I shudder to think what will happen when you get to traveling with Donlin and the rest of this bunch."

IS FITZSCARED

That He Will Lose His Young Actress  
Wife in Paris?

The following comes from New York: While Marvin Hart is strutting about as the heavyweight champion of the world, "Kid" McCoy contemplated matrimony with a rich widow, Jim Corbett