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PACE TOO FAST FOR VISITORS

Norwich Wins in Clever Game, 6 to 1—Hitless Game for Chief Bender Against Cleveland—Brooklyn Defeats World Champions in 12 Innings.

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Willimantic	2	0	1.000
Norwich	1	1	.500
New London	1	1	.500
Middletown	0	2	.000

To beat a New London team at every angle of the game and make them look like novices at the diamond sport is all that a Norwich baseball crowd wants, and the 200 at Sachem park on Thursday afternoon got this served up to them right from the word go in the first game on the home diamond in the new league. A 6 to 1 defeat was what Captain Dan Murphy's boys handed out to the visitors from New London under Captain Burns, at the same time hanging up a time record for the new league, for the game was over in 1 hour and 17 minuaes.

It was heady pitching, clever fielding and fast base running which showed the real form of the Norwich nine, and the attendant spectators gave them the glad hand all the way, particularly noticing the nice pitching of Friedman. The New Haven boy surely hit the target of popularity for a bullseye when he served up his "airship" floater to make the New London hitters look foolish.

Phillipps, the Montville product, was sent in to repeat his good work of Wednesday against Norwich, but the home boys got to him in the opener and stowed away three runs on as many hits. After Shaw was out, Captain Murphy earned a pass, but Rhylander poked a safety to right. Noonan slashed a hot one across second, scoring two runs, and Donnie McIntyre drove a liner to left, counting Noonan, after McGrath had flied out. Casey fanned out.

Connor's double in the fifth and King's single gave New London's only run, but King was out trying for second on the wideawake play of the Norwich boys. McGrath returning the ball to Friedman and the latter slamming it to Rhylander, who was covering the bag. This ended New London's only chance to dent the plate.

Cap Murphy gave the fans something to shout over when he laid down a safe hunt to start the third, made the third bag on Rhylander's hit and scored when Griffin threw past the bag after catching Noonan's foul fly. Rhy was on third on the play, and sprinted home with the third run when Nasher threw low after picking up McGrath's short drive. In the fourth Chapdelaine's scratch hit and steal, followed by two flies to the outfield, scored the last run for Norwich. The score:

Norwich.	ab	h	po	a	e	New London.	ab	h	po	a	e
Shaw,3b	3	0	1	1	1	Loveday,cf	4	0	1	0	0
Murphy,2b	3	1	3	2	0	Nasher,ss	4	0	2	1	2
Rhylander,ss	4	2	1	3	0	Nealon,rf	4	0	2	0	0
Noonan,lf	4	1	4	0	0	Connor,3b	4	1	0	0	0
M'Grath,rf	4	0	0	1	0	King,1b	3	1	10	0	0
M'Intyre,1b	4	1	12	1	0	Sullivan,lf	3	0	3	0	0
Casey,cf	3	1	2	0	0	Burns,2b	3	2	1	4	1
C'pdelaine,c	3	1	4	1	0	Griffin,c	3	0	5	2	1
Friedman,p	3	0	0	4	0	Phillipps,p	3	0	0	2	1
Totals.	31	7	27	12	1	Totals,	31	4	24	9	5

Score by innings:

New London	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	—1
Norwich	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	*—	6

Runs for Norwich Murphy 2, Rhylander 2, Noonan, Chapdelaine, for New London Connor; two base hits, Burns 2, Connor; bases on balls, off Phillipps 2; struck out, by Friedman 4, by Phillipps 3; stolen bases, Rhylander 2, Noonan, Casey, Chapdelaine; sacrifice hit, Chapdelaine; sacrifice fly, Shaw; first base on errors, Norwich 3, New London 1; left on bases, Norwich 5, New London 3; earned runs, Norwich 3, New London 1; time, 1.17; umpire, J. J. Curran.

McGrath and Desmond Proprietors.

Two popular men in local sporting circles, J. J. McGrath and Joe Desmond, opened up a pool room on Franklin street on Thursday evening, succeeding the former proprietor of the Gem parlors. During the evening exhibitions of fancy shots were given by McGrath, who won the state title in a Waterbury amateur tournament last season. There was a good sized crowd on hand for the opening night.

Ravenell Wins at Duckpins.

Constable Jerry Ravenell was an easy winner in a duckpin match with Eddie Welch. Jerry took three straight strings, averaging about 85 to Welch's 70.

CITY LEAGUE CHATTER.

Riordan will be seen in his old position, center field.

Danny O'Brien and Bert Gallivan are there with the big stick in every game.

Simcox and Walsh will probably be the battery for the Centrals in the next game.

It is expected to have the Cranberry grounds suitably roped off for the next game.

Either Dynon or Burdick will pitch for the West Ends against the Centrals at the Falls.

With Pinney and Clabby to do the backstopping, Manager Clish has no fear of base pilfering.

Jack Casey leaves a vacant place in the Falls team through graduating into the Connecticut league.

Moody has been released by Manager Miller. He has signed Paul White of the Hospital to play the outfield.

Dennie McIntyre, the West End player, is playing a great game at first for the Norwich Trolley league team.

Louis Manchester will be seen beating out infield hits before many moons, havink been signed up by the West Ends.

Jack Gallivan is playing a fine fielding game at second, while Tris in the outfield covers ground like a big leaguer.

DIAMOND NOTES.

Fast in time and fast in quality.

That boy Chapdelaine looks like one good backstop.

In the grandstand crowd were half a dozen of the fair sex.

Roy Keach will be in the box at Middletown this afternoon.

For the Saturday game here it will be "Red" McRoberts' turn to twirl.

John Craney was in the box office and young Benjamin issued the grandstand tickets.

New London's left field has a good guardian in Sullivan, and Norwich evens up with Noonan.

First Baseman King was badly spiked by Chapdelaine when the latter beat out a hit in the fourth.

The anvil chorus that had started on Rhylander was changed to the booster club after those two pretty throws.

Dasher Kelly of the old Norwich team arrived in town Thursday looking for a place on Manager Stone's team.

Middletown had to open the season without sufficient seating accommodations, as Bob O'Connell's circus seats did not arrive.

Can it be possible that Mayor Dunn and Bob O'Connell have slipped something over on foxy Tommy Bannon in picking a team?

All the chairs in the center of the grandstand have been taken out, leaving the whole stand on the same level as far as prices are concerned.

Proprietor DeMonte of the Rose restaurant authorizes The Bulletin to announce his offer of a $3.50 meal ticket to the first man of the Norwich team making a home run on the Sachem park grounds.

EIGHT COLLEGE CREWS FOR PHILADELPHIA REGATTA.

Harvard in Two Events — Yale Only Has Freshman Entry.

Philadelphia, May 12.—The board of stewards of the American Rowing association tonight announced the college entries for the association's eighth annual regatta to be held here May 21. There are two events to which only college crews are eligible. These are the junior collegiate and the freshman eight oared races. In each there will be four entries.

In the junior collegiate event the starters will be Harvard, Columbia, Pennsylvania and Georgetown. This is the first appearance of Columbia in this regatta and the first also of Georgetown for some time.

The competitors in the freshman race will be Yale, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Georgetown. This is the first time that so many first year crews have entered the regatta. One more college entry will be that of Harvard, which sends down a second four oared crew.

The entries close formally May 14 and will be announced next week. The length of the races will be one mile and 550 yards.

Oakland Golfer Turns in Lod Card.

New York, May 12.—With a capital 76, especially creditable, considering that he had never trod the links before, Gardner W. White of Oakland won the low score prize in the eighteen hole qualifying round of the invitation tournament at the Fox Hills Golf club on Staten Island today. There were 107 starters and Jerome D. Travers of Montclair finished second, a stroke behind the leader.

Respect for the Late King.

New York, May 12.—Out of respect to the memory of the late King Edward and his people, all Eastern league baseball games scheduled for Friday, May 20, the day of the king's funeral, have been called off.

Fear Deadlock Over Referee.

San Francisco, May 12.—Apparently as much interest is taken at the Johnson camp these days in the widely-discussed topic of who is to be the referee as in the preliminary training of the champion.

Jack Welch, who is Johnson's first choice, and Tex Rickard had audiences with the fighter today, while yesterday Eddie Smith of Oakland was closeted with the colored champion. Rickard is admittedly afraid there will be a deadlock after the conference next Monday and he wants to smooth out difficulties if possible.

Yale in Tennis Outclasses Dartmouth.

New Haven, Conn., May 12.—Dartmouth failed to win a game in the annual tennis tournament with Yale here today, the latter winning with a score of 9 to 0.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Philadelphia	12	4	.765
Cleveland	12	7	.632
New York	11	7	.611
Detroit	12	9	.591
Boston	10	11	.476
Chicago	8	9	.471
Washington	6	10	.375
St. Louis	4	14	.222

Bender Pitches Hitless Game.

Philadelphia, May 12.—Chief Bender of the Philadelphia club today performed the greatest pitching feat of the season, when he not only shut out Cleveland 4 to 0, but also prevented his opponents from getting a hit. Only one Cleveland player reached first base. The scores:

Cleveland.	ab	h	po	a	e	Philadelphia.	ab	h	po	a	e
Graney,rf	3	0	4	0	0	Hartsel,lf	4	1	4	0	0
Krueger,lf	3	0	2	1	0	Oldring,rf	4	0	3	0	0
Turner,ss	2	0	2	1	1	Collins,2b	3	0	1	1	0
Lajoie,2b	3	0	3	1	0	Baker,3b	3	2	2	2	0
Stovall,1b	3	0	9	2	0	Davis,1b	3	1	9	0	0
Easterly,c	3	0	3	0	0	Murphy,cf	4	2	2	0	0
Lord,rf	3	0	0	0	0	Barry,ss	3	2	6	4	0
Bradley,3b	3	0	0	1	1	Thomas,c	3	0	6	1	0
Blicke,p	2	0	1	6	2	Bender,p	3	1	0	1	0
*Flick	1	0	0	0	0						
Totals.	26	0	24	12	4	Totals.	31	9	27	9	0

*Batted for Lambe in 9th.

Score by innings:

Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0
Philadelphia	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	*	—	4

Two base hit, Murphy; three base hit, Hartsel.

St. Louis Finally Wins a Game.

Boston, May 12.—Lake outpitched Collins in an exciting game today and St. Louis won the first victory of the series, the score being 3 to 1. The score:

St. Louis.	ab	h	po	a	e	Boston.	ab	h	po	a	e
Stone,lf	3	1	2	0	1	Hooper,rf	3	0	1	0	0
Hoffman,cf	4	0	3	0	0	Lord,1b	4	0	1	4	0
Wallace,3b	3	0	2	1	0	Stahl,lf	4	0	10	1	0
Griggs,2b	2	0	2	6	0	Speaker,cf	4	0	3	1	0
Criss,1b	4	0	10	0	0	Wagner,ss	4	0	3	3	0
S'weitzer,rf	4	1	1	0	0	Gardner,2b	4	2	2	3	1
Hartzel,ss	4	1	0	1	1	Lowe,rf	3	0	2	0	0
Stephens,c	3	2	6	1	1	Carrigan,c	3	0	3	2	0
Lake,p	3	2	0	2	0	Collins,p	1	0	0	0	0
						*Niles	1	1	0	0	0
Totals.	30	7	27	11	3	Cicotte,p	0	0	0	0	0
						Totals.	30	3	27	14	1

*Batted for Collins in 8th.

Score by innings:

St. Louis	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—2	
Boston	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—1	

Three base hits, Stephens, Stone.

Highlanders Knock Tigers' Pitcher Out of the Box.

New York, May 12.—New York defeated Detroit by a score of 5 to 3 today, driving Browning from the box in the second inning and scoring three times on Killian. The score:

Detroit.	ab	h	po	a	e	New York.	ab	h	po	a	e
D.Jones,lf	3	3	1	0	0	Hemphill,cf	3	0	2	1	0
Rush,ss	2	0	2	0	0	Woller,rf	3	0	1	0	0
Cobb,rf	3	0	4	0	0	Chase,1b	4	1	11	0	0
Cr'ford,cf	4	1	2	0	0	Laporte,2b	4	1	4	0	0
Del'hanty,2b	3	0	4	3	0	Roach,ss	3	2	2	1	0
Moriarty,3b	4	0	2	2	0	Davidson,cf	6	3	2	0	0
T.Jones,1b	4	0	7	0	0	Austin,3b	4	1	1	0	0
Stanage,c	3	0	2	4	0	Sweeney,c	6	0	0	0	0
B'wning,p	0	0	0	0	0	*Gardner	0	0	0	0	0
Killian,p	3	0	0	2	0	Mitchell,c	2	1	1	2	0
						Warhop,p	1	0	0	2	0
Totals.	29	4	24	11	0	Totals.	37	7	27	13	1

*Batted for Sweeney in 9d.

Score by innings:

Detroit	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—3		
New York	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	*—5		

Two base hits, D. Jones, Mitchell.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Pittsburg	12	3	.857
New York	14	7	.667
Philadelphia	10	8	.556
Chicago	11	9	.550
Cincinnati	9	8	.529
Boston	7	12	.368
Brooklyn	5	14	.263
St. Louis	7	13	.350

Giants Come Back at Cubs Strong.

Chicago, May 12.—New York batted McIntyre and Carson hard with one on base today and defeated Chicago 9 to 1. The score:

Chicago.	ab	h	po	a	e	New York.	ab	h	po	a	e
Evers,2b	4	0	1	2	0	Devore,lf	5	2	4	0	0
Sheckard,lf	4	2	2	0	0	Fletcher,2b	5	2	2	6	0
Schulte,rf	3	1	1	1	0	Murray,rf	5	1	3	0	0
Hofman,1b	4	1	13	1	0	Seymour,cf	5	2	2	0	0
Steinfeldt,3b	3	1	3	3	1	Bridwell,ss	4	1	2	2	1
Hea'mont,cf	3	1	1	0	0	Dolin,3b	4	1	3	1	0
Zim'man,ss	4	1	2	1	1	Merkle,1b	4	1	10	1	0
Kling,c	4	0	6	0	1	Myers,c	3	0	1	1	0
M'Intyre,p	1	0	0	7	1	Wilhm,p	2	0	0	3	0
Pfeister,p	0	0	0	0	0						
Carson,p	0	0	0	1	0	Totals.	34	10	27	9	1
Totals.	31	6	27	17	5						

*Batted for McIntyre in 7th.

Score by innings:

Chicago	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0—1		
New York	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	3—9		

Two base hits, Schulte, Merkle, Steinfeldt; three base hit, Fletcher.

Phillies Worked Four Pitchers, But Lost to Cincinnati

Cincinnati, May 12.—Philadelphia used four pitchers in today's game and lost 1 to 8. Willocks was responsible for most of Cincinnati's runs. Suggs pitched well at all stages. Score:

Cincinnati.	ab	h	po	a	e	Philadelphia.	ab	h	po	a	e
Beecher,lf	2	1	2	0	0	Titus,rf	4	2	1	0	0
Paskert,rf	2	0	0	0	0	Bates,lf	4	1	3	0	0
Hotlzhed,1b	5	0	11	0	0	Grant,3b	4	0	2	1	1
Mitchell,cf	4	2	1	0	0	Magee,cf	4	0	3	0	1
Ewing,c	4	1	4	5	0	Bransfield,1b	4	0	8	0	1
Downey,ss	1	0	2	5	1	Walsh,2b	4	0	2	2	1
M'Lean,c	4	2	5	2	0	Dooin,ss	4	0	2	5	0
Lobert,2b	2	2	2	1	0	Dooin,c	4	0	5	2	0
Suggs,p	4	0	0	2	0	Chech,c	2	1	1	0	0
						Foxen,p	0	0	0	1	0
Totals.	30	10	27	15	1	Moren,p	0	0	0	0	0
						Marquard,p	0	0	0	0	0
						H'ployes,p	1	0	0	2	0
						*Jackitsch	1	1	1	0	0
						Totals.	34	8	24	14	7

*Batted for Maroney in 5th.

Score by innings:

Cincinnati	0	3	2	0	3	0	1	0	*—8		
Philadelphia	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—1		

Two base hits, Magee 2, Check.

Champions Play First Extra Inning Game.

Pittsburg, May 12.—Brooklyn took a second game from Pittsburg today, 11 to 9, forcing the champions into the first extra inning game of their season. The score:

Pittsburg.	ab	h	po	a	e	Brooklyn.	ab	h	po	a	e
Byrne,2b	7	1	2	0	0	Lumley,rf	7	0	2	0	0
Leach,cf	5	2	3	0	0	Daubert,1b	7	3	16	0	1
Hyatt,rf	1	0	0	0	0	Wheat,lf	7	3	4	1	0
Clarke,lf	6	2	1	0	0	Hummel,2b	6	3	2	5	0
Wagner,ss	5	2	2	5	1	M'Guire,3b	6	1	4	2	1
Miller,2b	5	2	5	4	2	Davidson,cf	6	3	2	0	0
Flynn,1b	6	1	11	2	0	M'Millan,ss	5	0	1	4	0
Wilson,rf	5	0	3	0	0	Erwin,c	6	2	5	2	0
Gibson,c	4	2	10	2	0	Rucker,p	1	0	0	1	0
Camnitz,p	1	0	1	2	0	Wilhelm,p	3	0	0	1	0
Phillippe,p	1	0	1	2	0						
*Campbell	0	0	0	0	0	Totals.	54	17	36	8	2
Moore,p	1	0	0	1	0						
**M'K'chnie	1	1	0	0	0						
Totals.	48	17	36	17	3						

*Batted for Phillippe in 8th.
**Batted for Moore in 12th.

Score by innings:

Pittsburg	0	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1—9
Brooklyn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3—11

Two base hits, Byrne, Leach, Clarke, Daubert, Wheat 2, Hummel, Davidson, Erwin; three base hits, Wagner, Byrne, Hummel.

Boston Pitchers Wild—St. Louis Won.

St. Louis, May 12.—St. Louis batted Brown and Richie out of the game today and won from Boston 5 to 3. The wildness of the Boston pitchers was the main cause for the defeat. Score:

St. Louis.	ab	h	po	a	e	Boston.	ab	h	po	a	e
Hoggins,3b	3	1	3	2	1	Collins,lf	4	2	0	0	0
Ellis,lf	2	0	1	0	0	Moran,rf	2	1	0	0	0
Oakes,cf	3	0	3	0	0	Getz,rf	2	0	2	1	0
Konetchy,1b	3	1	7	0	0	Sharpe,1b	4	1	10	0	1
Evans,rf	2	1	1	1	0	Stenzel,2b	3	0	2	5	1
Bresnahan,c	4	1	5	3	0	Herzog,3b	4	1	3	2	0
Hauser,ss	3	0	3	3	0	Sweeney,ss	3	0	3	4	1
Hulswitt,ss	1	0	1	0	0	Beck,cf	3	1	1	0	0
Mowry,2b	3	2	1	2	0	Smith,c	4	1	5	2	0
Rachman,p	4	1	0	1	0	Brown,p	1	0	0	1	0
						Richie,p	0	0	0	0	0
						Mattern,p	1	0	0	1	0
						*Graham	1	1	0	0	0
						**Lake	1	0	0	0	0
Totals.	28	7	27	12	1	Totals.	33	8	24	16	3

*Batted for Brown in 5th.
**Batted for Mattern in 9th.

Score by innings:

St. Louis	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	*—5		
Boston	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—3		

Two base hits, Herzog, Backman; three base hit, Sharpe.

No Low Cards on Brookline Links.

Brookline, Mass., May 12.—Low medal scoring was not a feature of the first day's play of the fifteenth annual spring open tournament on the links of the Brookline Country club today, though among the 148 competitors were many of the leading golfers of New England and New York, as well as a few from farther points. P. W. Whittemore of Brookline led in the scoring with a card of 80.

CONNECTICUT LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Waterbury	8	2	.727
Bridgeport	8	3	.727
Hartford	7	4	.636
Springfield	5	6	.455
Northampton	3	6	.435
New Haven	5	6	.455
Holyoke	4	6	.400
New Britain	1	9	.100

Connecticut League Games Thursday.

At Waterbury: R. H. E.
Waterbury 0 1 1 0 0 2 2 2 *—8 12 2
Springfield 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 4 4
Eastman and McDonald; Archer and Ensign. Time, 1.35. Umpire, Hart.

At Bridgeport: R. H. E.
Bridgeport 1 0 0 0 0 3 0 *—4 12 1
NewBritain 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—3 5 1
Gibbs and Kocher; Hardy and Ruflange. Time, 2.00. Umpire, Walsh.

At Hartford: R. H. E.
Hartford 0 0 0 2 4 0 1 0 *—7 7 0
N'thampton 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0—2 7 1
O'Brien and Wadleigh; Warner, Peterson and Shincel and Flaherty. Time 2.15. Umpire, Watts.

At Holyoke: R. H. E.
NewHaven 3 0 1 0 0 4 1 0 1—10 10 3
Holyoke 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 5—6 11 2
Dent and aWters; Bosk, Kummer, Buckley and O'Leary. Time 1.50. Umpire, Fahey.

BASEBALL GAMES THURSDAY.

American League.

At Washington—Washington-Chicago game postponed; wet grounds.

New England League.

At Lawrence—Worcester 4, Lawrence 6.
At Lynn—Haverhill 3, Lynn 4.
At Lowell—Fall River 6, Lowell 5; 11 innings.
At Brockton—Brockton 2, New Bedford 6.

Eastern League.

At Montreal—Jersey City 2, Montreal 2.
At Buffalo—Providence 3, Buffalo 4.
At Toronto—Baltimore 5, Toronto 12.
At Rochester—Newark 6, Rochester 3.

College Games.

At Hanover, N. H.—Dartmouth 4, Cornell 2.
At Middletown, Conn.—Williams 7, Wesleyan 3.
At Northfield, Vt.—Norwich University 10, Colby College 3.
At Ann Arbor, Mich.—Michigan 1, Syracuse 2.
At Hamilton, N. Y.—Colgate 12, Hobart 1.
At Dudham, N. H.—New Hampshire State 6, Bates 5.

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Newark	14	5	.737
Buffalo	11	7	.611
Toronto	14	9	.526
Providence	9	9	.500
Rochester	9	9	.500
Baltimore	9	11	.450
Jersey City	5	9	.357
Montreal	4	12	.250

INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE STANDING.

Eastern Division.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Westerly	3	0	1.000
Windham	2	0	.667
Norwich	1	2	.333
Morgan	1	2	.333
Bulkeley	1	2	.333

Western Division.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Hartford	2	0	1.000
Bridgeport	2	1	.667
Middletown	1	1	.500
New Haven	1	2	.333
Meriden	1	2	.250

The games scheduled for this week are: Saturday—Bridgeport at Hartford; Middletown at New Haven; Westerly at Bulkeley; Windham at Morgan.

WILL THE BIG FIGHT BE ON THE LEVEL?

Negro Victory Would Spoil Fortune in the Fight Pictures—Coming Contest Poor Betting Proposition.

It begins to look as though nothing but a clean-cut victory for Johnson will convince some people that the coming battle for the heavyweight championship has been conducted strictly on the level. A victory for Jeffries, no matter how decisive, is pretty sure to be followed by rumors of a prearrangement. Even now it is not difficult to find many who will tell you that Jeffries cannot lose, and the argument advanced is pretty convincing, too.

"Why, are they not partners in the moving picture privileges," said a well known clubman the other day, "and large as is the purse for which they are to fight, is it not admitted that they expect to make much more money out of the pictures than from the result of the contest? As good business men, and there is every reason to believe that they are both pretty good on the make, is it not natural to suppose that they will endeavor to make those pictures as valuable as possible? Does not that mean that Jeff must win? I can't see it in any other light. Who would care to see a photographic reproduction of a strong, husky negro just in his prime, beating up the retired and undefeated white ex-champion of the world, who has been induced after six years of leisure, to re-enter the ring? Compare in your mind the value, in a financial way, of such a set of films with another set in which the retired, undefeated white champion is shown lambasting the impudence out of the black man who presumed to claim the world's championship on the strength of beating little Tommy Burns in far-off Australia?"

Fortune in Fight Pictures.

The relative value of two such sets of films would be about as 100 is to 1. Films showing Jeffries victor over Johnson would draw better than a circus in every city and town in America, Europe and Australia. Every class of citizen would be interested to a greater or less degree. There would be an athletic lesson in it for every man, particularly those past 34 years of age, since it would show the possibility of regaining form after a life of leisure by following strict rules of training, not for a few weeks or a few months, as athletes generally train but for more than a year and a half. Almost every athletic trainer of note in the country has put himself on record that Jeffries cannot come back. But some of them are beginning to hedge, for the apparent fine condition of the big fellow on top of the assertion of such an authority as Professor Sargent of Harvard university, who, after giving Jeffries a thorough examination, declared that he could see no physical defect that would prevent Jeffries regaining his old form, provided he did not hurry himself in training.

Jeffries Never the Same Again.

However, for a matter of fact, it is a physical impossibility for Jeffries, who is now 35 years of age, to regain his old form as a fighter. He can never be the fighter he was when he whipped Fitzsimmons the second time eight years ago, although it is quite possible that the long course of training may make him just as physically fit for a contest. The eight years intervening have taken out of him that which will never come back, no matter how long and carefully he trains, but the believers in Jeffries aver that he does not need to be at his best to whip Johnson.

Has Johnson Sold Out?

Johnson has shown a strange hesitancy about getting down to real work for this fight, the greatest he has ever taken part in, which leads many to believe that he expects nothing better than the loser's end of the purse. Even if Johnson loses he will still hold the same relative position in the pugilistic world that he does today, for Jeffries will surely never fight again, after this affair is settled. Taken as a whole, it looks like a very poor proposition to gamble on. If Johnson has agreed to lay down to Jeffries he may double-cross him at the last moment if there is enough betting to make it a profitable course to follow. If there is no betting he will live up to any agreement he may have made. If Jeffries wins on a prearranged plan it would be robbery to cash bets on him. If the fight proves to be on the level, with the best man winning, the promoters and the fighters will have no one but themselves to blame for the rumors of fake, for there surely never was another contest of importance in which so many suspicious occurrences have appeared.

ALWAYS WATCHES.

McGraw Watches Carefully Every Move of the Enemy and Gives Signals.

One has to sit on the bench with John McGraw of the New York Giants or be on the side lines with him while he is directing his team to realize just how much attention he pays to the game and how closely he watches the men. McGraw has a great mind for details, and he watches every move made by the players of the opposing side.

While on the spring training trip he was sitting on the bench during a game between Dall