

SPORTS—PUGILISM—RACING—SKATING—ATHLETICS—SPORTS

DEVELOPING MATERIAL FOR THE BIG LEAGUES, BY CATCHER JACK WARNER

Great Backstop Believes that the Youngsters Secured by McGraw Will Prove to Be Valuable Men for the Giants This Season.

BY JACK WARNER.

THE trouble with young ball-players breaking in the big leagues, and with pitchers especially, is their anxiety to do too much at the start. If they do not win their first game or two, they are apt to lose heart, and a pitcher who is not game cannot hope to succeed.

A new pitcher may probably have some pot curve or drop which he has worked successfully in the minor league. Let him have his way, and he will want to toss this favorite curve to every batsman that steps to the plate.

The first principle in developing a new man is to teach him to get command of the ball. Good control of the ball is essential to a pitcher's success.

If the pitcher insists upon using his pot curve too often, he must be broken of the habit. A pitcher who has several assortments of curves, and who knows how and when to use them, is the successful man.

If a youngster has a good curve or raised ball, the thing is to develop this curve until he masters it to perfection. Then he should be taught to

MANY FIGHTS ARRANGED NOW FOR "EDDIE" HANLON

(Special to The Evening World.) PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 15.—There were 2,500 sports in Old City Hall Saturday night to greet Eddie Hanlon, of "Prisco," who had a four-round bout with Harry Poley.

There were no decisions. This is the first sparring exhibition in this city for seven years. At the conclusion Hanlon said: "I will be in Philadelphia this week. I expect to fight Charles Neary in Milwaukee on my return west. I have received an offer to fight Benny Yanger at St. Louis, Feb. 25. Billy Delaney, who is in Philadelphia, wrote me that

he had arranged fights for me in Philadelphia. "I also have an offer to fight Terry McGovern in Philadelphia, but I want to fight him on the Pacific Coast. He is very popular there and will draw well." Hanlon said that his Philadelphia engagements will be the first six-round bouts he has ever engaged in, as his mills have all been twenty rounds.

VETERAN JACK HAMILTON WAS EASY FOR DECKER

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—George Decker, the clever feather-weight, of this city, made a punching bag of Jack Hamilton, of Troy, at the National Athletic Club on Saturday night. Hamilton appeared slow, and while he made several wicked swings and lunges, none of them did any damage.

Decker began the third round with a fight and left hand on Hamilton's jaw that sent the latter back. As Jack came to George the latter uppercut and again checked Hamilton. Shortly before the end of the round Decker jabbed Hamilton on the mouth with his left and Jack went to the floor on his back.

ATHLETES TRAINING FOR BIG CARIVAL

Athletes of New York and vicinity will be in active training from now until March 12, the date of the Greater New York Irish A. A. carnival, to be held at the Garden. The programme will contain a relay race for athletic clubs which it is expected will bring out teams from all the prominent athletic clubs, including the New York A. C., whose team captured first honors at the recent carnival held by Columbia College at the Garden.

SAM LANGFORD STOPPED JOHNSON



(Special to The Evening World.) BOSTON, Feb. 15.—Sam Langford, of this city, stopped Charlie Johnson Saturday night at the Central Athletic Club. For three rounds Johnson made a fair showing, but after that he was not in it, as Langford jabbed and slammed him around the ring with ease. At the conclusion of the fifth Referee Keovin called the bout off and gave the decision to Langford.

Ames and Milligan, 2 Giants' New Pitchers—Jack Warner Says They Will Be Stars Next Season.



HARRY FORBES OUTCLASSED KELLEY AND WON IN THREE ROUNDS

TWO GOOD BATTLES ON FOR TO-NIGHT

THE boxing programme offered for to-night calls for two battles to be fought. Jack Johnson, the colored heavy-weight champion, is slated to meet "Black Bill," who styles himself the champion colored heavy-weight of New Jersey, in a six-round bout before the Lenox Sporting Club, of Philadelphia, while Billy Melody, the promising welter-weight fighter of Boston,

is booked to meet Charley Hiltz, the Albany welter-weight, in a twenty-round bout at a boxing show to be brought off at Schenectady, N. Y. Johnson and "Black Bill" were to have fought before the Eureka A. C., of Baltimore, but owing to the big controversy in that city the bout was transferred to the Lenox Club of the Quaker City. It is doubtful if the bout between Melody and Hiltz will be decided, as the authorities have said they intend to prevent the contest.

End Came with a Clean Knockout After Kelley Had Been Floored Several Times in Each Round.

(Special to The Evening World.) CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Harry Forbes knocked out Johnny Kelley in the third round of what was slated for a six-round boxing bout at the wind-up of the Chicago Athletic Association Saturday night.

RYAN AND O'BRIEN TO GET TOGETHER

A BATTLE for the middle-weight championship of the world is being fought between Tommy Ryan and "Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien is now assured. Ryan has accepted the offer of 65 per cent of the gross receipts made him by Matchmaker Gallagher, of the Carbon County A. A., of Mauch Chunk, Pa., for a twenty-round bout on the afternoon of Memorial Day, May 30, and has for-

ther informed Gallagher that he will send on his forfeit to bind the match in a few days. Now that Ryan has accepted Gallagher's offer it is almost certain that O'Brien will do likewise. The latter is anxious to meet Ryan in a twenty-round bout, and on that account will lose no time in covering Ryan's forfeit just as soon as it arrives. Matchmaker Gallagher says he will post a forfeit of \$2,500 as a guarantee he will bring off the fight.

HERRMAN FAVORS BROOKLYN IN SUNDAY BALL QUESTION

HERRMAN is certain to favor Brooklyn in the controversy over the Sunday games at Ridgewood Park, according to C. H. Ebbets, who has just returned from the Chicago meeting of the leagues. "It was the hottest that I ever attended," said the Brooklyn manager.

"The American League people contended that the commission had no jurisdiction, but Chairman Herrman overruled them. Then they raised the point that Herrman had previously committed himself and that no arbiter decided a case after having prejudged it. "But we went ahead with the testi-

mony, just the same. Farrell's assertion that Manager Hanlon had agreed to divide the games with him at Ridgewood Park was shown to be a mistake. "The matter is still under consideration and Herrman will decide it in good time in my favor, I am quite sure."

Forbes outclassed his opponent all the way and was at no time in danger. Kelley, who sprung a sensation at the same club about a year ago by knocking out Morris Rauch, and who since that time fought Reagan to a draw, besides flooring Forbes in a bout at Kansas City, showed no class Saturday night. The long lay off has spoiled all the chances of his becoming the leader of his class, for which he gave promise less than a year ago.

BETTS AND O'CONNOR. George Betts, the bantam-weight, of this city, has been matched to fight Dave O'Connor, of Paterson, the bantam-weight champion of New Jersey. The boys will meet before a private club up State and will fight twenty rounds at 115 pounds, weighing in at the ringside. Betts has been successful in all his fights and is looked upon as a winner in the bantam-weight division. If successful in his fight with O'Connor he will meet Jimmy Walsh.

CHICAGOS IN LOS ANGELES. The Chicago National League team will get into playing condition again this season at Los Angeles, Cal. Manager Frank Seale and President Jim Hart have decided to take the players out there for their training stint, as their trip to that place last spring put them in such good shape that they made a great showing in the race for the pennant. The players will start for Los Angeles on March 3.

HANDBALL GAMES OF HARLEM NAVY

The third set of games in the Harlem Navy Handball Tournament resulted as follows: At Lone Star Club: Union—Kirby, Lyons, 7-21; Lone Star—Johnson, Ballin, 5-12; Union—Kean, Connell, 21-21; Lone Star—Lillenthal, Meyers, 3-17; Union—Kirk, Kemp, 21-21; Lone Star—Stern, Blatt, 9-10; Metropolitan Club: Wynako—Rock, Steinmap, 21-19; Metropolitan—Murphy, O'Neill, 19-21; Wynako—Gerry, Weston, 21-21; Metropolitan—Chierito, Johnson, 20-10; Wynako—Magnin, Keythe, 21-15; Metropolitan—Magnolia, Clark, 15-21. At Dauntless Club: Crescent—Koop, Battelmaude, 21-16; Dauntless—R. H. Miller, Covert, 10-21. Crescent—Bynon, 21-21; Dauntless—E. Brown, Dana, 15-28; Crescent—Bynon, Battelmaude, 17; Dauntless—B. Stettin, Covert, 21-10; Crescent—B. and J. Pat-

tenaude, 21; Dauntless—Bowtell, Covert, 16. The standing of the clubs is: Union Boat Club..... Won. Lost. 15 2 Wynako Boat Club..... 15 2 Metropolitan Rowing Club..... 11 7 Crescent Boat Club..... 10 18 Dauntless Boat Club..... 2 18 Lone Star Boat Club..... 1 17

NEW ORLEANS ENTRIES. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 15.—The entries for to-morrow's races are as follows: First Race—Mile, selling. *Colin George..... 57 *The Ghetto..... 100 *Midnight..... 99 Amintie..... 107 *Satchel..... 102 Jove..... 108 *Pak..... 107 Henry of France..... 103 *Royal Pirate..... 103 Joe Taylor..... 108 Capt. Hamm..... 109 Star Gazer..... 109 *Haven Hunt..... 90

THE MANHATTAN BOWLERS' EVENT The Manhattan Bowling Club held its annual reception at Lyric Hall, Forty-second street and Fifth avenue. It was a gala event and was well attended. The officers of this successful club are as follows: William A. Hildebrand, Captain; Harry E. Murray, President; John M. Kay, Vice-President; Charles Tolle, Recording Secretary; William Hattie, Financial Secretary; Edward J. Horn, Secretary; Maurice J. Hickey, Treasurer; Otto Skubich, Marshal.

ARISTOCRACY DEAD. LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 15.—Aristocracy, the three-year-old chestnut colt, by Imp, Mirhful, dam Fatty, by Kingston, John E. Madden's last year's winner of the Saratoga Special and one division of the Double Event, died yesterday at Louisville. He ran away with an exercise boy, running five miles before he could be checked. Death resulted from pneumonia. The report that Pulsus is sick is denied by Mr. Madden.

FOAL BY YANKEE. LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 15.—A thoroughbred colt of unsurpassed breeding arrived at John E. Madden's Hamburg Place yesterday, when imported Roger Gun, dam of Gunfire, Trigger and Raglan, foaled a chestnut colt by the Futurity winner Yankee. Yankee is now in the stud at La Belle, owned by the late W. C. Whitney.

SIXTH RACE—Mile and three sixteenths, selling. *Wagner Vivax..... 87 *Reckoner..... 90 *Baronet..... 95 Hegira..... 88 *Princess..... 96 Santa Teresa..... 95 Gun Spray..... 97 Malay..... 97 Khal..... 100 *Arvina..... 102 *Handwriting..... 104 Col. Taylor..... 108

MAHARG GETS DECISION FROM HUGHEY DOUGHERTY.

(Special to The Evening World.) PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—Billy Maharg defeated Hughey Dougherty in an unsatisfactory bout at the Richmond Athletic Club Saturday night. Maharg fought in windmill fashion, and though he reached his opponent often the blows were poorly timed. The men were more fatigued by their clinches than by the fighting they did. During the opening round Dougherty had a slight advantage, but starting with the fourth Maharg became more effective and was clearly superior at the finish, being entirely the aggressor. Dougherty was not much harmed, but the energy of Maharg in the close fighting entitled him to the decision. Dougherty could not get out of the way of Maharg's right, and had the blows been straighter he would have gone out. In the semi-windup Johnny Coleman bested Jack Powderley, while in the preliminaries Jack Burke outclassed Kid Tracey, the referee stopping the bout in the third round. Eddie Budd had Johnny Loxley almost out in the fifth, when the referee sent the men to their corners. Harry Decker outpointed Bert Keys.

RINGSIDE GOSSIP; FIGHTERS ACTIVE

Al Nell, who was regarded as a coming man in the middle-weight division in California, suffered another bad defeat last week. He was knocked out in less than one round by "Dixie Kid," the California colored fighter. Nell was no match for the rugged colored lad and was floored twice before he was finally knocked out.

Advertisement for Dr. Williams' Cures Men, featuring a portrait of a man and text describing the medicine's benefits for various ailments.

CURLEY A COMER. "Kid" Curley, the clever feather-weight of New York, who has won fifteen finish fights, is ready to meet Tommy Murphy, of New York, or Chester Goodwin, of Boston, before any club in a limited round contest at 120 or 122 pounds at 3 o'clock. Florio Barnett, who is managing Curley, says he is a comer.

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