

SUES TO RECOVER GIFTS

Thomas Crowther Wants Former Wife to Return \$100,000.

WAS HER SEVENTH HUSBAND

Charges That She Obtained His Property by Fraud—She Has Been Married Again.

The month of May—the calm, balmy month when the thoughts of the merry children turn to the May pole and a frolic on the green and the spring poet is busiest with his muse—has figured conspicuously in the life of Thomas Crowther, but not in a manner that would inspire any pretty sentiments in his heart and soul.

In May, 1904, Crowther decided to his wife about \$100,000 in property. Just a year to the month after that Mrs. Crowther obtained a divorce from Crowther, he being her fourth husband to meet that fate. Crowther had been thrice married, his first two wives being dead.

Crowther accumulated a comfortable fortune and invested it in real estate. He bought the tenement property at Nos. 534, 536 and 538 West 35th street. He also bought a cottage in Connecticut for the use of himself and wife.

Mrs. Lappage makes a denial of all the allegations of Crowther and says that the property that she sues for is lawfully hers.

The next move that will be made, according to Moses D. Morse, counsel for Crowther, will be to apply to the court for the appointment of a receiver for the rents of the property in dispute.

INVADES JOHNSON HOME

Losers, Armed with Rifle, Batter at Door.

Chicago, July 8.—Richard McGuirk, a St. Louis machineist, was arrested yesterday after he had battered at the door of the home of "Jack" Johnson, the negro pugilist, at No. 3344 Wabash avenue.

NO PICTURES IN SOUTH AFRICA

Government Bars Fight Films Throughout the Union.

Pretoria, July 8.—The South African government has sent instructions to the police throughout the union to prohibit exhibition of moving pictures of the Johnson-Jeffries fight.

FIRE THREATENS REDWOODS.

Visalia, Cal., July 8.—A devastating forest fire starting from a blast set off by workmen on a power plant, is sweeping tonight toward the Mariposa big tree grove of sequoias.

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FIGHT PICTURES APPROVE

30,000 Feet of Film Developed in Flatbush Shop Last Night.

NEGATIVES PROVE PERFECT

Pictures Barred in Six States and in Foreign Lands, but Owners Are Cheerful.

The thirty thousand feet of valuable films which constitute one complete negative of the moving picture of the Jeffries-Johnson fight reached here yesterday morning.

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On the trip to the factory the first delay of the journey occurred, and it annoyed Mr. Rock and his associates more than all the Christian Endeavor Society mandates which have issued from various parts of the country opposing the exhibition of the fight pictures.

Reports from the vitagraph company's factory last night said the negatives had proved to be of the best, and would be dried and projected on a screen to-day, and be ready for exhibition purposes the first of the week.

To avoid accidents, two other sets of pictures were made at the same time and left in Chicago for developing. These negatives will be brought here Monday and a perfect negative assembled from all three in case any one of them should show defects.

The vitagraph company will give a private exhibition of the pictures on Wednesday at some of the highest bid prices for the various states and foreign countries.

The opposition to the pictures appears to be of little concern to the men who control the rights in them. The J. & J. Company, which was organized by the various film manufacturers who are licensed under the Edison patents and control the world rights in the pictures, held a meeting at the General Film Company's office, at No. 10 Fifth avenue, yesterday afternoon, and afterward issued a statement, which read:

"No effort will be made to show the pictures in any town or city where adverse action has been taken. It will not be necessary to get out injunctions, for this company does not keep the privilege for itself."

Johnston and Jeffries and their right promoters were at first members of the J. & J. Company, but sold their picture rights to the vitagraph people.

It was explained that the privilege to show the pictures would be sold for the most part to the highest bidder for the various states and foreign countries.

"Our company has gone a little out of our line with the fight pictures, and we do not expect that all our patrons will want them, especially those who run shows simply for women and children.

"It cost us a round \$250,000 to get the pictures. If Jeffries had won they would be invaluable, but as Johnson won their value is problematical, as it depends to a large extent on the attitude of the authorities."

Won't Permit Exhibition.

Governor Burke of North Dakota announced yesterday that he would not allow the fight pictures to be shown in the state if there were any state law to prevent it.

The exhibition of the films was also prohibited in two foreign countries yesterday, the governments of Cuba and the South African Union.

The negative which the American Vitagraph Company made shows the fighters at their camps, the preliminaries to the fight, including the introduction of all the famous fighters and the fight itself.

There may be a private exhibition of the fight pictures to-day in the plant of the Vitagraph Company of America, in East 15th street, Flatbush.

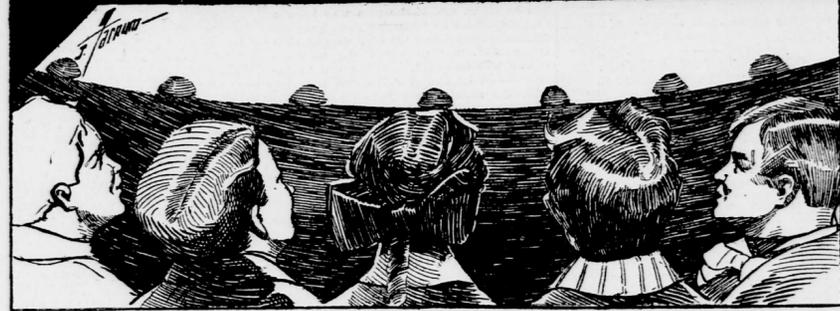
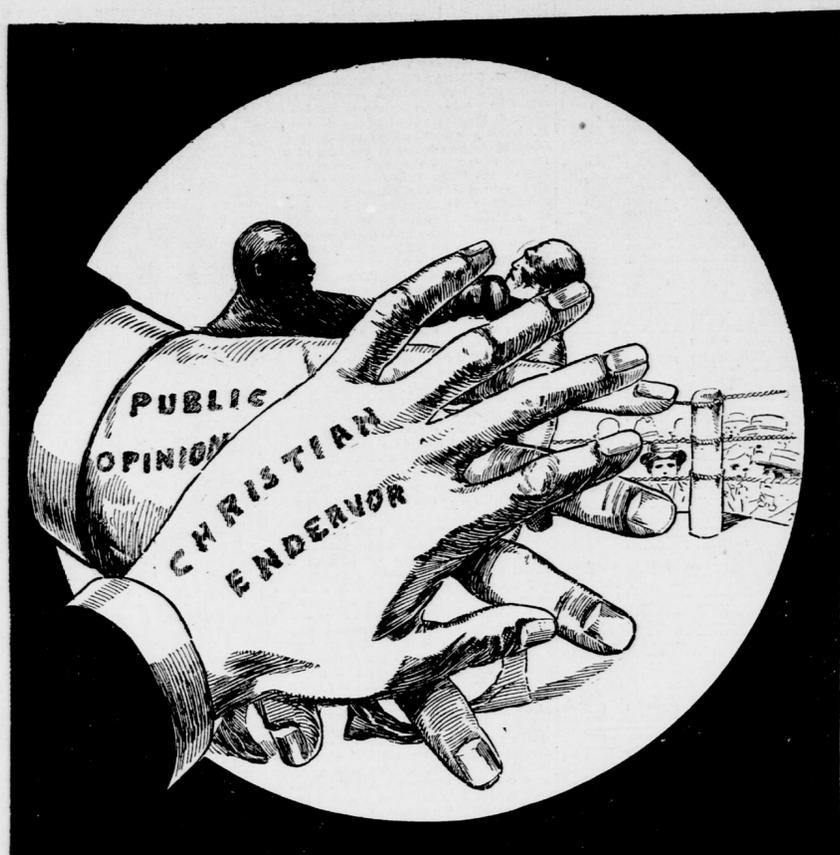
William Morris, manager of the American Music Hall, announced last night that he had obtained moving pictures of the Jeffries-Johnson fight from a company outside of the J. & J. Company, and would place the pictures on exhibition on the American Roof Garden this afternoon and to-night.

MAYOR GAYNOR'S VIEWS

Would Stop Pictures if He Had the Power.

Boston, July 8.—William Shaw, general secretary of the United Society for Christian Endeavor, has started a nationwide movement for the suppression of the Johnson-Jeffries prizefight pictures, has received the following letter from Mayor Gaynor of New York City, in reply to a message sent to him on Thursday:

"It is quite impossible for me to understand how it can enter into any mind that we are in any danger of race riots in the city of New York between blacks and whites. I would also remind you that the government of the city of New York is a government of laws and not of men, and that I have no right as my mere will to prohibit. I shall very carefully consider what you say and see what power there is



SAVE THE CHILDREN!

In any official to do what you suggest. If there is no such power conferred by law, I give my solemn assurance that I shall not be exercised. I see no reason to get excited at all.

Binghamton, N. Y., July 8.—Acting on behalf of the sixty thousand members of the New York State Christian Endeavor Union, Dr. Bernard Clausen, of this city, the state secretary, to-day wired Governor Hughes urging that the Jeffries-Johnson prizefight pictures be suppressed in this state.

MAY WITHDRAW FILMS

Picture Men Won't Try to Force Pictures on Public.

Chicago, July 8.—Stirred by the growing sentiment throughout the country against the exhibition of the Jeffries-Johnson fight films, George Kleine, William Selig and George A. Spoor, representatives of the motion picture syndicate, issued this statement last night:

"No effort will be made to show the pictures in any city or town where adverse legislation has been taken. It will not be necessary to get out injunctions, for this company does not intend to buck the law in any city or state. We do not think these pictures are any different from those which have been displayed of the Johnson-Burns and Johnson-Ketchel fights, but if we find that popular sentiment is against them we will lay them on the shelf and not show them at all."

BRAND WHITLOCK'S VIEWS

Picture Agitation Spasmodic Accession of Righteousness, He Says.

Toledo, July 8.—That the American people are unduly excited by the victory of "Jack" Johnson over "Jim" Jeffries was the opinion of an address by Mayor Brand Whitlock before the national convention of the American Flint Glass Workers today.

BAR ON PICTURES IN CUBA

May Cause Racial Trouble—A Hint of Retaliation.

Havana, July 8.—The government has prohibited the exhibition of Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures.

The ultimate importance of the prohibition against the Jeffries-Johnson prizefight pictures may be greater to Cuba than to any other country. Because of the political situation in the island created by the agitation of some of the negro leaders for greater recognition, the action of the government may possibly be misunderstood by members of the race who already feel that discrimination is made against them.

Negro Objects to Crusade

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Action in Many Cities

Movement Runs Against a Snag in Update Towns.

Itaska, N. Y., July 8.—A committee of the Federation of Women's Clubs, representing eight hundred members, has petitioned Mayor Randolph Horton of this city to prohibit any exhibition of the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures.

SAVES THE CHILDREN!

hibition of the Jeffries-Johnson prizefight pictures in this city.

Vicksburg, Miss., July 8.—An ordinance adopted by the City Council last night prohibits the production of the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures in this city.

PASTOR VOICES PROTEST

Says Exhibition of Fight Pictures Would Degrade Public Morals.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Unparalleled space has been given by the press to the Reno fiasco. May we who have to share in this national disgrace have the courtesy of a word?

I believe that the newspapers will give a fair hearing to those who protest against the exhibition of these pictures in New York.

CALLS FOR NATIONAL BLUSH.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

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SNOW, COLORED MAYOR, ACTS.

Anniston, Ala., July 8.—Addison D. Snow, the negro Mayor of Hobson City, the ex-

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC. Sunrise, 4:36, sunset, 7:34, moon sets, 9:53; moon's age, 3.

HIGH WATER. A. M. P. M. Sandy Hook, 10:10, 10:18; Governors Island, 10:10, 10:18; Hell Gate, 12:00, 12:08.

WIRELESS REPORTS.

The Cincinnati, reported as 180 miles east of Sandy Hook at 12:40 a. m. yesterday, is expected to dock on Monday forenoon.

INCOMING STEAMERS.

Vesels. From. Lins. Arrive. Depart. Merid. Havre, July 2. American. P. Wilhelm III. Havre, July 4. D. W. I. Stepanoff. Havre, July 5. S. O. El Dorado. Galveston, July 2. So Pac. City of Colibus. Savannah, July 6. Savannah. Algonquin. Jacksonville, July 6. Ham-Am.

OUTGOING STEAMERS.

St. Louis, Southampton, Amer. 6:30 a. m. 10:00 a. m. Baltic, Liverpool, W. S. 8:30 a. m. 12:00 a. m. America, Hamburg, W. S. 8:30 a. m. 12:00 a. m. Zulia, La Guayra, Red. 8:30 a. m. 12:00 a. m. Sarnia, Haiti, H. A. 9:00 a. m. 12:00 a. m. Havana, Havana, Ward. 10:00 a. m. 1:00 p. m. Buca d'Amore, Naples, S. O. 12:00 p. m. 3:00 p. m. Conigh Lutes, Naples, S. O. 12:00 p. m. California, Glasgow, Anchor. 10:00 a. m. 1:00 p. m. Vadeland, Antwerp, Red. Star. 11:00 a. m. 1:00 p. m. Antilles, New Orleans, S. O. 9:30 a. m. 12:00 a. m. C. of Atlanta, Savannah, Sav. 12:00 a. m. Buca d'Amore, Naples, S. O. 1:00 p. m. Algonquin, Jacksonville, July 6. Ham-Am. 1:00 p. m.

SHIPPING NEWS

Port of New York, Friday, July 8, 1910.

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TRANS-PACIFIC MAILS. Destination and date of departure in N. Y. P. M. Fiji Islands, Australia, New Zealand, S. P. M. Victoria-Markina, 6:30 a. m. Japan, Korea, China, Hong Kong, 6:30 a. m. Kanakura, Maru, 6:30 a. m. Hawaii, Japan, 6:30 a. m. San Francisco-Chico, Maru, 6:30 a. m.

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CHAUFFEUR WHO ELOPED WITH MISS LEAVITT NOT MENTIONED IN WILL.

FATHER-IN-LAW SATISFIED

Probating of Will in Jamaica, Counsel Says, Is Evidence of Agreement Made.

The will of Margaret H. Smollen, the daughter of J. Howard Leavitt, of Bay-side, Long Island, who eloped with her chauffeur, Joseph F. Smollen, last January, and died in a sanatorium in this city on June 10, was filed in the Queens County Surrogate's Court at Jamaica yesterday.

A sharp difference arose subsequent to the girl's father's death because of the estate's determination to accompany James J. Corbett, his friend and adviser, to Reno to witness the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Smollen did go to Reno with Corbett after the settlement had been made.

The will was dated April 29, 1910, and disposes of an estate described as "over \$25,000," in personal property. The testatrix and her husband had been separated some time prior to her death, which followed shortly upon her return from a trip to Europe accompanied by her friend, Katherine Verdery, of Flushing, who is a beneficiary to the extent of \$5,000 under the will.

"In the event that I die without issue," the will reads, "the sum of \$10,000 is to go to my sister, Sarah L. Meyer, and \$10,000 to my niece, Margaret H. Meyer. All the rest, residue and remainder is to go to my mother, Amelia W. Leavitt."

The attorneys representing Mrs. Mary Smollen and her son, Joseph F., and the testatrix and her father, both declined yesterday to make a positive statement that a settlement had been made with young Smollen, but they admitted that things had been arranged satisfactorily to both sides, and that the former chauffeur would not contest the will.

James A. Dayton, of No. 149 Broadway, who represents the Leavitt family and is formerly Mrs. Smollen's counsel and is an executor of the will, said yesterday:

"I am on my honor not to deny or affirm the report that a settlement was made with Mr. Smollen, but the mere fact that the will was filed without objection on his part, and that any objection on his part would have to be made on the day of the filing of the will for probate, and none was made, is evidence enough that a satisfactory agreement was reached by all parties concerned."

H. N. Holde, of No. 162 Broadway, counsel for Mrs. Smollen and her son, filed a counter-claim signed by him, in the Surrogate's office yesterday, in which it is stated that the lawyer has made a careful examination of the last will and testament of Margaret H. Smollen, and finds it similar in every detail, and that it contains no clause to justify any opposition to its probate.

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AMUSEMENTS. NEW AMSTERDAM Theatre, 425 St. Mark Street, to-day and Wed. 2:15, 7:15, 9:15. CIRLIES presents 60 of THEM. Some of Them Married. JARDIN DE PARIS. SMILES. ATOP N.Y. Theatre, Evs. 8:15. Table Chart. SMOKING. REFRESHMENTS. FOLLIES OF 1910.

LYRIC, 424 W. of E. Evs. 8:15. THE CHEATER. LOUIS MANN. In a New. CASINO THE MIKADO. The Summer Widowers with Mrs. P. M. Marie Dressler. AMERICAN ROOF DAILY MAT. BARNYARD. GUSSEY. PARIS. PLAZA THE MIKADO. MARY. ASTOR, 45th St. Evs. 8:15. DREAMLAND. ALL TAKE HONEY FROM THE OCEAN. THOMPSON & DUNDEY'S LUNA PARK. BRIGHTON BEACH PARK. EDEN. World in Wax. ROOSEVELT. MUSEE. King Edward's Picture Palace. H. ROOF. Mlle. Polaire. ENTIRE NEW BILL.

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