

AUSTRALIAN PROMOTERS TRYING TO CORNER AMERICAN FIGHT MARKET

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 10.—Eager to get a batch of American boxers to visit the Antipodes, two Australian fight promoters landed here two hours apart recently, ending a neck and neck race across the Pacific.

They are "Mother" Wm. J. Howe,

THIS AMERICAN PEERESS WILL REALIZE PET AMBITIONS



Lady
Dufferin

London. The Marchioness of Dufferin will make her debut in opera at Covent Garden soon.

She was formerly Miss Flora Davis of New York. When she married the Marquis in 1893, she had two ambitions. One was to be a successful wife and mother. The other was to make a success in a musical career.

She has brought up three daughters well beyond the nursery days, proving her success as a mother. Now she is ready to try her ability to realize the second ambition.

famed as a football expert as well as a fight fan, and "Snowy" Reginald Baker, representing Hugh McIntosh.

Howe represents a syndicate formed recently to buck the Australian boxing trust, dominated by McIntosh, and will do his best to sign the high class boxers for his club. He arrived about two hours ahead of Baker and got a lead on his competitor by signing up Arthur Pelky and securing a set of the Pelky-GunboatSmith fight pictures.

"My club is called the Olympia Athletic Club," said Howe. "We have an arena with a capacity of 10,000 at Newtown, New South Wales, which is near the heart of Sydney. I am prepared to offer 30 per cent of the gross receipts as an inducement to the best boxers."

Baker, Howe's adversary, is a prominent figure in the sporting world in Australia, and is manager of the famous Rushcutters bay fight stadium. He has had a remarkable athletic career. As a swimmer, he was second only to such men as Dick Caville, the fastest member of the famous Caville family, including Sid and Tums Caville.

In Rugby football, Baker reached the highest position that a New South Wales man can obtain by making the state team against Queensland and playing against the British team that toured Australia in 1904.

As a boxer Baker won the middleweight and the heavyweight championships in the amateur class in a single night. He was a high-class oarsman and in military athletics proved to be one of the best Australia has ever produced. He held the fencing championship for several years and was an expert in handling the sword, lance and bayonet.

"I will interview all the prominent boxers in this country and am prepared to make it worth while for your best men to visit my country," said