

SAYS STAGE LIFE IS FATAL TO PUGILISTS.

Professor of Culture Declares That "Starring" Invariably Precedes the Fall of Champions.

SAYS IT TAKES THEIR VITALITY.

Cites the Cases of Corbett, Fitzsimmons, Sharkey and McGovern, and Blames Carbonic Acid Gas.

Milwaukee, Dec. 26.—"The stage is killing prize fighters," says a Milwaukee professor of physical culture.

This is the startling statement made by William Lachenmaier, a Milwaukee professor of physical culture.

Professor Lachenmaier says that every noted pugilist, from John L. Sullivan down to "Terry" McGovern, the latter only recently conquered, all apparently invincible at one time, went on the stage and were beaten.

Corbett was defeated when he seemed to be in his prime, but it was after he had posed as an actor.

Fitzsimmons, Sharkey, Mitchell and others suffered the same fate, and after they had made the stage a profession.

"Terry" McGovern, whose defeat is still fresh in the minds of the public and who has not yet realized how it could have happened, whipped all comers during his first two years in the pugilist game, but a little over six months behind the footlights made him easy prey for "Young Corbett," the present featherweight champion.

Stage Life Saps Vitality. "A prize fighter in the pink of condition becomes utterly unfit to engage in a battle after a year or more on the stage. His vitality is gone, and he is certain to be defeated by a man who has never been on the stage."

Professor Lachenmaier says that the character of his every movement in the ring, his blows are less effective, and the "punch" is not so good as when he is without sinching previous to going on the stage. He has lost his vitality, and he is not a hundred per cent of himself.

"This is all due to changing his operations from the gymnasium to the stage. He is not used to the artificial atmosphere of the theater. He may take just as much daily exercise as he would in the gymnasium, but his vitality is gradually slipping away, but his next battle, as the records show, will bring him to the realization."

Blames Carbonic Acid Gas. "A pugilist-actor, on an average, gives two performances a night, and numbers from 1,000 to 2,000 people. He is in the theater at least three hours each day, and during all that time he inhales carbonic acid gas, the rankiest poison and most deadly destroyer of human vitality, which is continually taken in by the thousands of people who witness the performance; whereas, when he is in the gymnasium, he exercises in the open air every day, and even at night while he sleeps plenty of pure air is allowed to circulate through his room."

"Irregular habits, intemperance and so forth which are common to actors, and which are not tolerated by trainers, of course, go a great way toward ruining the pugilist. The artificial cause of the pugilist's downfall is the constant breathing of carbonic acid gas, which is directly the opposite to the human being."

CHICAGO BOXERS ARRIVE TO-DAY.

Rauch and Finucane Come to Fight at Business Men's Gymnasium.

Morris Rauch and Young Finucane will arrive from Chicago this morning in readiness for their go-to-morrow night at the Business Men's Gymnasium.

Both boys are in excellent condition and have announced that they will have no difficulty in making the requisite weight—115 pounds.

Professor Mike Mooney will probably referee the fight.

As a preliminary to the main go, Billy Staunton and Elmer Mayfield will fight six rounds at 135 pounds.

Mayfield is a former champion of the West End Club. He believes that he has an extremely clever man in young Finucane, and it is expected that the go-to-morrow evening's battle. Rauch and his manager are equally certain of the outcome.

Bill Tomney, who is training Joe Bernstein, Mooney's champion, says that he has had a very good look at the pugilist, and that he has discovered a novel method of reducing weight. Yesterday, according to his own story, he entered a local poolroom and placed a bet on a horse named Johnny McCarthy in the fourth race. The horse won, and he was the victor.

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CLAIMS THE CHAMPIONSHIP OVER HIM \$1,000 BALANCE ON TRAINING FEES.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 26.—Tommy Ryan, once a prize-fighter, but now in business in Kansas City, brought suit to-day against James J. Jeffries to recover \$1,000, which he alleges is due him for training the world's champion for his fight with James Corbett atoney and in May, 1899. The papers were served on Jeffries while he was in a Turkish bath, but he paid no attention to them, and he is continuing his sleep without making reply. Ryan in his petition asks the referee to award him \$1,000, which he claims is the amount of the training fee which he paid Jeffries for the fight, and which he claims he is still due, for which amount he asks judgment. Jeffries gave an exhibition here last night.

MATTHEWS-THURSTON FIGHT OFF.

Could Not Agree as to Division of Prize and Weighing-in Time.

New York, Dec. 26.—The proposed twenty-round bout between "Matt" Matthews and "Dutch" Thurston, which was to take place before the International Athletic Club at Fort Erie New Year's Eve, has been declared off. The fighters were unable to reach an agreement over the division of the purse and the time of weighing in. An effort is being made to match Matthews and "Rube" Feringa again, but that to take place in the near future at Fort Erie.

THREE FAVORITES WON.

Prarie Dog, Balm of Gilead and Fleecio Came in at San Francisco.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 26.—Prairie Dog, Balm of Gilead and Fleecio were the winners of the three races at the New Orleans track to-day.

First race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Second race, five furlongs—Balm of Gilead, 110 (C. J. Ryan), 100 (D. J. Ryan), 90 (E. J. Ryan), 80 (F. J. Ryan), 70 (G. J. Ryan), 60 (H. J. Ryan), 50 (I. J. Ryan), 40 (J. J. Ryan), 30 (K. J. Ryan), 20 (L. J. Ryan), 10 (M. J. Ryan).

Third race, three-quarters—Fleecio, 120 (T. J. Ryan), 110 (C. J. Ryan), 100 (D. J. Ryan), 90 (E. J. Ryan), 80 (F. J. Ryan), 70 (G. J. Ryan), 60 (H. J. Ryan), 50 (I. J. Ryan), 40 (J. J. Ryan), 30 (K. J. Ryan), 20 (L. J. Ryan), 10 (M. J. Ryan).

Fourth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Fifth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Sixth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Seventh race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Eighth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Ninth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Tenth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Eleventh race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Twelfth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Thirteenth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Fourteenth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Fifteenth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Sixteenth race, selling, mile—Prairie Dog, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

TRACK WAS SLOW AT CHARLESTON.

Results: First race, five furlongs, selling—Potato first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Second race, five furlongs, selling—Potato first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Third race, five furlongs, selling—Potato first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Fourth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Fifth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Sixth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Seventh race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Eighth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Ninth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Tenth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Eleventh race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

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Seventeenth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Eighteenth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Nineteenth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Twentieth race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Twenty-first race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

Twenty-second race, four and a half furlongs, selling—Lady May first, 130 (T. J. Ryan), 120 (C. J. Ryan), 110 (D. J. Ryan), 100 (E. J. Ryan), 90 (F. J. Ryan), 80 (G. J. Ryan), 70 (H. J. Ryan), 60 (I. J. Ryan), 50 (J. J. Ryan), 40 (K. J. Ryan), 30 (L. J. Ryan), 20 (M. J. Ryan), 10 (N. J. Ryan).

PEDESTRIAN CONTEST START POSTPONED.

Financial Hitch Causes a Postponement of Seven-Day Race at Coliseum.

As a result of financial hitches between the Coliseum management and the promoters of the seven-day pedestrian contest, which was to have commenced at the Exposition building at five minutes past midnight this morning, the event was postponed. For a time the event was in danger of being called off altogether. At a late hour last night, Manager McCarthy stated that he had made partial arrangements with the management and was hopeful of bringing the race off, the start to be made Saturday night.

Until yesterday forenoon it was expected that the race would be pulled off on schedule time and there was no intimation of any difficulty. Yesterday morning a payment on the part of the management was received, and the company decided that unless payment was made the race would be called off. He announced his ultimatum at noon.

Manager McCarthy, the race meet held several interviews with him in the course of the day, and spent some time visiting the Exposition building. McCarthy was last evening called on by President Galenico of the Exposition, and announced as the result of the negotiations that a contest would probably be started on Saturday.

Under the new proposition a certain percentage of the receipts of the race would be turned over to the Coliseum management, and when the sum total of the rent in paid the race would be held. The contestants, of whom nearly eighty arrived in the city, have consented to this, and the race will be held on Saturday.

The trouble about the rent, according to Manager McCarthy, was due to the departure of C. Moore, who had been his partner in previous enterprises of the sort. The remaining members of the race meet, after articles had been signed by Manager McCarthy, this left the latter with a heavy financial burden to carry. He is now in the Coliseum management according to the report, wanted half the week's rent in advance, which was not paid.

SLASHES THROAT WITH KNIFE. Robert Watson Adopts Novel Means to Reconcile Wife.

After a quarrel with his wife last night, Robert Watson, at No. 2833 Mission street, attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a butcher knife. He did not cut deep enough to cause a serious wound, but the blood flowed freely, and that frightened his wife, who called for a doctor. The doctor, who was called, examined the wound and pronounced it a serious one. Watson was taken to the hospital, where he is now recovering.

The trouble occurred at the home of her mother, Mrs. Watson, who lives at No. 2833 Mission street. Watson wanted his wife to go home with him, but she refused to do so. He then drew a knife from the table and drew it across his throat, inflicting a wound about five inches in length. The blood flowed freely, and he fell into a chair. His wife fell at his feet, and did not return. Despairing at last, he called for a doctor. The doctor, who was called, examined the wound and pronounced it a serious one. Watson was taken to the hospital, where he is now recovering.

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