

JEFFRIES ARE IN DOUBT
HEAVY AND WELTER LAURELS
ONLY GENUINE

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The fight situation is as indefinite as imagination is capable of picturing. Only two championships may be said to really and unquestionably exist, that owned by the champion of all champions, Jeffries, and the other held by Joe Walcott, king of the welters.

In these two divisions there are no disputing claims because there are none yet found who can support the claim. Jeffries has whipped everything that is big enough to crawl through the ropes and done the job so completely that there is no denying his kingship.

Walcott occupies much the same position as does Joe Gans—he has beaten the cream of the welter division, but has not defended his title as is becoming to a champion.

In the bantamweight class there is no champion. Frankie Neil, bantam champion of the United States, was beaten by Joe Bowker, then bantam champion of the British Isles.

Neil can make 118 pounds easily enough, but is terribly light for a featherweight aspirant, especially so as long as Abe Attell is in fighting trim.

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Heidelberg Castle, Germany.
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Street Fountain and Old Clock, Berne, Switzerland.
Along the Tete Noir Road, Switzerland.

AGRICULTURAL PARK PROGRAM IS CLASSY

Welcome Mac Loses to Connor in Straight Heats—Laura G Furnishes Sensation When She Wins After Bad Break

It was a classy program that the Los Angeles Driving Club offered yesterday afternoon and one of the most ambitious attempts of local harness men.

Despite the length of the card, which embodied ten events, the large crowd in the stands braved the nipping air to the end and witnessed some of the best sport that has occurred on the Agricultural park course.

There were many attempts before several of the fields got away, and a disposition of the side wheelers to break resulted in a majority of the events remaining uncertain until the victor had crossed the wire.

Several surprises occurred during the day, chief of which was the defeat of Thomas Hughes' Welcome Mac, who lost to the fleet Connor in two straight heats, in the free-for-all pace.

There were three entries for the event—Connor, Lohengrin and Welcome Mac. After the call to go, in the first heat, Connor took the rail and led.

Lohengrin and Mac both broke at the quarter. Lohengrin caught well, however, and crossed the wire in the lead throughout both heats and had no trouble in heading Fleety Gazelle to the wire.

ELECTRIFY FOREIGNERS AT OLYMPIC GAMES

Martin J. Sheridan of Irish-American Club Distinguishes Himself by Winning Sixteen Points—Im-mense Throng Attends

ATHENS, April 28.—The feature of the week at the Olympic games undoubtedly was the brilliant record made by the American athletes.

Martin J. Sheridan of the Irish-American Athletic Club especially distinguished himself. He won sixteen points in the games, five for the shot put, five for throwing the discus, three for the standing broad jump and three for putting the stone, and he will score probably in the ancient Greek discus and the standing high jump, as well as in the hurdles if his leg holds out.

The condition of his leg is not good, however, and for that reason he retired from the penthalum series of contests today.

The Americans are greatly impressed by the gathering. They are pleased with the Greeks, civilians and officials, who have been most kind in their treatment.

The kindness of the people for the sports is illustrated by the fact that although Thursday there were only two events inside the Stadium—throwing the javelin and weight lifting—35,000 spectators were in attendance.

Features of the meeting even more pleasant than the general good humor has been the attitude of King George and the princess and princesses, whose simply and kindly manners have gone straight to the hearts of all the visitors.

MONKEY KNOCKS OUT TARS

Pet Starts Rough Ship and Rules Vessel During Day of Bloody Strife

Special to The Herald. PHILADELPHIA, April 28.—Three A. B.'s and the first mate of the schooner Hetty Erb are laid up in hospitals here as a result of a battle with a pet orang outang, fought while the schooner was on her way to this port.

It was carried on for two days, and in that time the animal had decidedly the best of the game.

The Hetty Erb is now anchored off the Williams street grain wharves, the orang outang is in a strong cage, and the sailors are still applying liniment to their various bruises, contusions and lacerations. The caged trouble-maker, nicknamed Teddy, was given to Isaac Erb at Charleston. Teddy was evidently adapted to life on the billowy seas and seemed to enjoy climbing through the rigging. He was soon acknowledged to be the best sailor on board.

Teddy's dignity and tongue were hurt by sailor feeding him a piece of cake coated with red pepper. "Stung," he is said to have said, and started a "rough house," or rather rough ship, with a scream of rage he picked up a piece of lumber and chased the joker to the top of the masthead, where he clubbed him across the head.

Several scared seamen spent the remainder of the day in trying to navigate the ship and dodge Teddy. The orang outang is in a strong cage, and the sailors are still applying liniment to their various bruises, contusions and lacerations. The caged trouble-maker, nicknamed Teddy, was given to Isaac Erb at Charleston. Teddy was evidently adapted to life on the billowy seas and seemed to enjoy climbing through the rigging. He was soon acknowledged to be the best sailor on board.

For two days the orang outang ruled the coming and going of the crew. They were kept on a constant move and the man at the helm was often compelled to leave his post and seek shelter in the hold. On the third day, however, Teddy in attempting to make a lasso to catch the cook was caught in his own trap. The sailors saw their opportunity and sprang upon him before he could extricate himself.

TOMMY BURNS IS TO FIGHT FITZ

O'ROURKE OFFERS \$5,000 PURSE

Conqueror of Marvelous Hart Will Make His Initial Bow as Champion of Heavyweight

CHICAGO, April 28.—Robert Fitzsimmons and Tommy Burns are scheduled today to engage in a 20-round battle for the world weight championship of the world on the night of May 30 before the Tom O'Rourke's Tuxedo club at Philadelphia, Pa. Articles of agreement were signed this morning. The contestants have agreed to enter the arena at catch weights on a guarantee of \$5000 and a privilege of 50 per cent on the gross receipts. The club will forfeit \$1000, and Essig will send his Monday for Burns.

The Tuxedo club manager thinks that the Burns-Fitzsimmons match will draw at least \$30,000.

Tommy Burns, who so decisively defeated Marvelous Hart before a local audience a few weeks ago, has been matched to repeat the dose with Bob Fitzsimmons at Philadelphia on Decoration day. Manager Tom O'Rourke of the Tuxedo club of Philadelphia having offered a \$15,000 purse for the mill.

Fitzsimmons has signed the articles of agreement and Burns last night received a telegram asking if he would agree to the terms as outlined. He accepted and will start for Philadelphia Monday or Tuesday.

UNCLE JOE ASKS TWO PRAYERS

Speaker of the House, Deep in Thought, Makes Funny Mistake at Service

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The hour of 12 o'clock noon having arrived, as the Congressional Record says every day, Speaker Cannon rapped with his gavel for order in the house and said: "The chaplain will offer prayer."

The speaker stood gazing abstractedly into space while the blind chaplain prayed. When he had finished there was a pause. Uncle Joe came out of the reverie and said: "The chaplain will offer prayer."

A clerk nudged the speaker and the chaplain turned his sightless eyes toward him in great surprise.

Uncle Joe realized he had made a mistake. "Oh, hell! chaplain," he exclaimed, "the joke's on me."

PAYS \$10,000 FOR SMALL MAT

George Crocker's Duty on One Small Piece of Gobelin Tapestry is \$30,000

Special to The Herald. NEW YORK, April 28.—A silk mat, small enough to be carried in an overcoat pocket, but which cost \$10,000, will be taken tomorrow from the Lincoln bank vaults and delivered at the mansion of George Crocker, 1 East Sixty-fourth street. It is a masterpiece of the Persian weaver's art, the smallest work in a lot for which the California millionaire last week paid \$165,000, and was part of the collection from which J. P. Morgan recently selected silk carpets to the value of about \$120,000.

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