SHALL A BELT BE GIVEN?

Citizens of Nevada Take Sides Over Dempsey's Proposition.

STRONG OPPOSITION TO HIS BILL.

Anti-Fight Element Believes the Legislature Is Going Too Far.

ACTIVITY AT THE TRAINING QUARTERS.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons Use Their Understudies for Punching-Bags.

CARSON, NEV., March 1.—The belt of Nevada silver bullion, emblematic of the world's pugilistic championship, which is to be provided for in a bill about to be introduced in the Nevada Legislature and will be presented to the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons contest, took the place of nearly every other subject in discussion on the streets of Carson to-day, and is still being talked about. There is going to be a division of sentiment on the propriety of allowing a measure of this character to be spread upon the statute books, and, while the opposition may not develop enough strength to defeat the bill in the Legislature, should a vote be taken, there is a probability that it may result in the withdrawal or pigeon-holing of the document.

Hon. Timothy Dempsey, the Assemblyman who intends introducing the measure, assures me, however, that he is thoroughly in earnest, and that he is not going to meet with defeat. He says he made a thorough canvass of the members of both branches of the Legislature before he decided to go ahead, and found that a great majority would approve of the bill. The measure is at present being drafted by Hon. Thomas Tennant of Carson, one of the brightest lawyers here, and a man who has served six terms in the Nevada Legislature. The title of the bill is: "An act recognizing the science of physical culture ethics, and appropriating $3000 for Nevada's emblematical testimonial to the winner of the world's heavy-weight boxing championship, commemorative of the forthcoming contest at Carson City, March 17, 1897."

The opposition so far developed to Assemblyman Dempsey's bill comes from the same class of citizens—the conservative and highly moral element—that so emphatically disapproved of and endeavored to defeat the original boxing bill which made possible the great Corbett-Fitzsimmons battle in Carson. After the bill became a law they bowed in submission and waited for an opportunity to say, "I told you so." They anticipated that the State would come in for a royal roasting from the press and pulpit of the world because of the alleged immorality of its population; but when they found that they were getting off comparatively easily, they concluded that such a terrible crime had not been committed after all, and began to thinking seriously of purchasing choice seats for the big battle.

But when it comes to talking about doubling the seal of approval on prize-fighting in Nevada by appropriating public funds for the purchase of a championship belt for the winner of the approaching mill, these people are up in arms again. They declare it is going a step too far, and they propose to see that the Dempsey measure is defeated, if such a thing is within their power.

"We might just as well turn the State into a second Monte Carlo and be done with it," was the way one of the opposition put it to-night. "It was going far enough to legalize the coming boxing contests, but to gloat over it by presenting championship belts will be to invite a castigation from the rest of the woorld—and we would richly deserve it."

But everybody does not think this way. As a matter of fact, if it came right down to a vote of the people to-morrow, I believe that not only would the boxing bill be approved, but the Dempsey measure as well.

Mr. Dempsey says he will introduce his bill to-morrow or the next day and urge its early consideration. He feels quite confident that it will pass.

"And why not?" he asked, when seen this evening. "Nevada has come out openly and above board and legalized boxing contests. She is not winking at unlawful fights, as is nearly every other State in the Union. You pick up any newspaper and glance over it and in the dispatches you will read of a dozen prize-fights taking place in different parts of the United States almost every night in the week. Yet these same States pretend that they do not tolerate boxing. Now, I believe that, inasmuch as we have gone into this matter, we might just as well do things in style and right up to the handle. The contest between Corbett and Fitzsimmons will decide the championship of the world and will undoubtedly be the greatest affair of the kind occurring in the nineteenth century. Nevada will thereby be the best advertised State in the Union. It would be no more than right, therefore, that she should show her appreciation by offering a small token such as the belt suggested would be. My idea is that this belt should be a perpetual representation of the championship—that is, it should be held by the winner of this battle until he either resigns his title or is defeated by some other aspirant, and then it should go to the new champion. It would be known as the 'famous Nevada belt' the world over."

Governor Sadler still declines to say whether or not he will sign the Dempsey bill when it is presented to him, preferring, he says, to wait until he sees it before expressing an opinion. Those who are close to him still insist that he favors the project.

Both Corbett and Fitzsimmons worked hard to-day. The tall Cornishman seemed anxious to make up for the losing he indulged in yesterday, and in consequence things hummed out at Cook's ranch. Bob took a race around the neighboring hills during the morning and stopped at the State prison on his way home for a hot bath. Fitzsimmons has become quite a favorite with the prison officials, and seldom passes the place without stopping to pass the time of day, or, perhaps, take luncheon.

When he got back to the ranch to-day he donned his sweaters and gymnasium togs and fought his punching-bag. Bob goes in for this particular work as if he were engaged in a real fight, and he pounds the pneumatic ball unmercifully. One of his assistants held a watch this morning and timed the bout for regulation three-minute rounds. Fitzsimmons kept at the bag for fourteen rounds without showing much fatigue, and then, after taking a turn at the wrist machine, he challenged his trainers to put on the gloves. Hickey was first to accept, and after staying with the Cornishman during three rattling rounds gave way to Stelzner. This doughty lad was good for three rounds, too, and then it was Roeber's turn. Altogether they gave the big fellow nine hot rounds, which, with his bag punching and other exercise, made up a very fair morning's work.

After luncheon Bob walked into town for his mail and tramped all the way back to the ranch again for some more boxing and bag-thumping.

Bob still looks splendidly, so far as indications of health and vigor go, and is as confident as ever of victory. He seldom misses an opportunity to tell his visitors how hard he intends to smash Corbett and with what dispatch he will put the man with the pompadour to sleep.

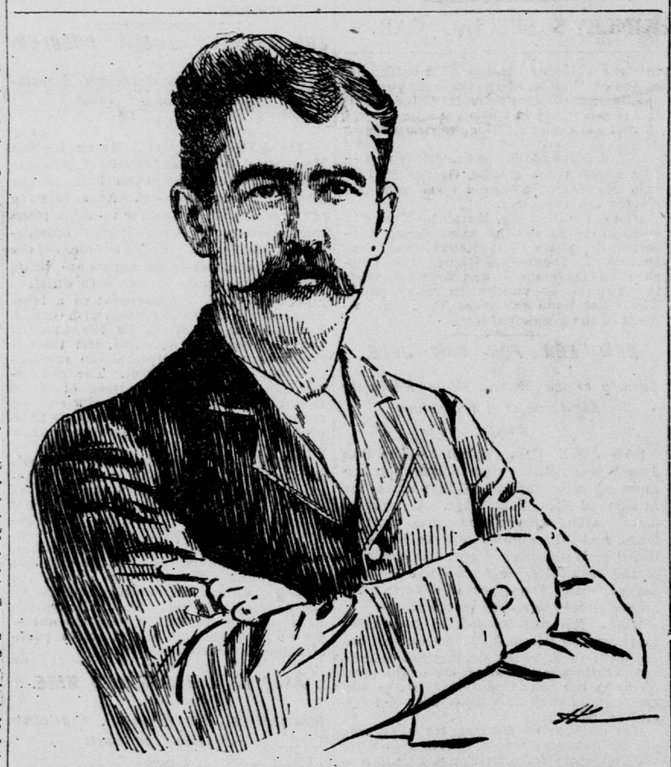
Jim Corbett's heaviest work to-day was in the boxing line. He repeated his methods of yesterday by putting on the gloves with his sparring partners before doing his bag-punching or playing handball. Trainer Charley White insists upon this being done, in order that the big fellow may do his boxing while he is perfectly fresh and full of vigor and spring. Corbett agrees that this system is superior to the one he formerly adhered to.

Corbett's workout this morning consisted of fifteen regulation rounds with his trainers. He had five of them standing in line ready to take their turns. He gave each of them three rounds, beginning with Jeffries and ending with "Big Jack" McVey, who made his appearance in the gymnasium to-day for the first time since his recent illness. Corbett boxed fast, and while he punched his partners hard he made no effort to drop them, as was the case yesterday and Saturday. The most noticeable feature of his performance was that notwithstanding the fact that each one of the five sparring partners was tired and blowing at the end of his respective three rounds with the Californian the latter finished the entire fifteen rounds fresh and strong and ready to go another fifteen. This showing pleased Billy Delaney and Charley White immensely, for it was proof enough that James J. is prepared to go a long journey with Fitzsimmons if necessary.

Jim was in high feather all day over the receipt of a telegram to the effect that his wife and sister would leave San Francisco to-night for Carson. They will arrive here in the morning and remain two days.

William A. Brady, the backer and bosom friend of Corbett, is anxious to correct the impression that has gone abroad to the effect that he was not pleased with Corbett's condition and that he was fearful of the result of the battle.

"I was misunderstood, that's all," said



ASSEMBLYMAN TIMOTHY DEMPSEY OF CARSON.

This Nevada legislator is the author of the bill providing for a silver belt, studded with jewels, to be given to the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. It is intended that the trophy shall be emblematic alike of the championship and of Nevada's stamp of approval upon physical culture contests with gloves.

MR. CORBETT'S LETTER.

(INTERCEPTED.)

CARSON, March 1, 1897.

To the Journal-Examiner (Soft Thing):

It is some time since THE CALL has managed to corral one of my letters to you, and I feel that I can write with greater freedom.

I am sure that I can whip Fitzsimmons. My wife says so.

I just learned that we have been awfully sold. You have been writing stories and printing pictures showing how me and Fitz were dodging the cameras of other papers in our wild desire to keep everything for you. Well, it turns out that instead of dodging newspaper artists with cameras we were making fun for a lot of fly drummers who had painted little boxes to look like cameras and were amusing themselves at our expense. Next to the Legislature it's the biggest joke in the State.

I'm afraid we've been doing some raw work again. You know we gave some money to the unemployed last week. We told all about it in big headlines because the Scripture says when you give alms sound a trumpet. Well, an agent came up from the office with instructions to go to the unions and get them to pass resolutions praising the paper for its generosity. It's an old gag that worked well in San Francisco, though some papers used to wonder how the unions happened to pass such nicely worded motions and never forget to say the good thing for us and give the other papers the black eye. But no one ever suspected us of writing the resolutions ourselves and paying some slick-tongued delegate to do the engineering.

But I digress. Our agent came up and went to a union meeting. By and by up comes a resolution praising Mr. Hearst to the skies and deploring the fact that the other paper owners were not so good as he. It would have gone through all right, for the boys were in good humor, if a tramp printer hadn't been there. He was all in rags and was a miserable, half-starved looking wretch, who ought to have been turned away.

"One moment," he says. "Let me say something for the unemployed. I mean the disemployed. I am one of them. Two years ago I was setting type for the Examiner. I was earning good wages, supporting a wife and children and buying a house on the installment plan. Hearst didn't need money. He claimed to be worth $28,000,000 and was spending coin right and left; but one day he heard about the machine that does the work of five men and before we knew where we were the tender-hearted philanthropist had thrown fifty or sixty men and women printers on the street and put machines in our places. The other papers had to follow his enterprise—that's what he called it—or go to the wall. So that before a year was over there were hundreds of us out of work. That's what this tender-hearted philanthropist did for us. I've had ten days' work in six months. The house that was coming in installments went all of a heap. The wife and little ones are in the poorhouse. That's what Mr. Hearst has done for me and mine. He has gone to New York and is playing the hog there as he played it here. He is making it impossible for any one but a great millionaire to have a newspaper. Already two journals that were giving work to hundreds of men have been forced to the wall because they couldn't afford to sell their papers for less than cost as he's doing. He's founding the most dangerous monopoly ever dreamed of and all the time talking against trusts. Give us some more philanthropists like him and the country will be full of unemployed."

The agent nearly fainted. He had the tramp vagged late in the night for stealing a cracker in a saloon, but our resolutions were not passed. I've said our work is raw and this is why it's raw: We size up every man who has to work for his living as a darn fool and sometimes we are wrong. We'd better copyright that tramp printer.

Of course the foregoing is not for publication. I send it as a loyal member of the staff. I want to join the Press Club or the Bohemian Club when I get back to town, so for heaven's sake don't let any one know that some one is writing these letters for me.

I had steak for dinner (exclusive).

J. COPYRIGHT CORBETT.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper of CASTORIA.

genial William to-day. "What I meant to say was that Corbett impressed me as being slower than he used to be, because he had grown so much bigger and stronger. He does not dance around so much. He is, in my opinion, a far better man physically than he ever was and I am that confident that he will whip Fitz that I intend to bet a lot of money on him."

Referee Siler has fallen victim to the treacherous Nevada winter climate and is indisposed. He is not seriously ill, however, and expects to be around again in a day or two. Dan Stuart is still on the mend, but is not yet permitted by his doctors to leave his apartments.

Colonel C. F. Burns left Carson for San Francisco to-night with the first large batch of tickets of admission to the fight that has been issued. He and Harry Corbett hold a block of 700 of the best locations for the excursionists they intend to bring here on special trains.

D. O. Mills dropped into town this morning to look after his railroad interests here, and, he confessed modestly, to pick up some fight news. He is the president of the Virginia and Truckee Railroad, which will have the handling between here and Reno of the thousands who are coming to witness the contest. Mr. Mills is not sure whether or not he will stay to see the fight.

J. G. MANSFIELD.

ROASTS BERKELEY'S OARSMEN.

The Editor of the Stanford University Daily Declares They Are "Insulting."

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CAL., March 1.—College editors are at war and all on account of the much-talked-of intercollegiate boatrace that Berkeley clamors for and Stanford declares is out of the question. The Daily Palo Alto, the Stanford student journal, has come out with a red-hot editorial in which the course pursued by the members of the University of California Boating Association is termed "insulting and undeserved." The indignation of the Stanford editor was particularly aroused by a leader that recently appeared in the Berkeley student paper, and was copied in the San Francisco dailies. He publishes this in response:

Gentlemen of the U. C. Boating Association, we have something to say to you.

For the past two years you have been trying to force Stanford into a boatrace, and, not content with sane arguments in the matter, and not satisfied with the explanation of our inability to make the agreement, you have departed from the fields of simple persuasion and have gone out of your way to criticize us in terms that are insulting and undeserved.

You charge us with insincerity and imply that Stanford would not meet Berkeley on the water if she could. All the foundation in the case that you think you have against us is this—the mere fact that Stanford talked in 1892 of entering the Columbian regatta and made some plans in that direction, which were speedily dropped when we discovered how great were the disadvantages with which we had to deal.

We were not "scared out," nor have we ever seen the time when we were afraid to match our men of muscle against any that Berkeley could produce. We can play football first rate; and if we had a place to train we might possibly be able to get a crew in shape to row. And no one desires this more than we do. We regret exceedingly our inability to enter a crew, and have said so before.

Now then, let there be an end to this fuss and sputter. If the University of California Boat Club cannot maintain its existence without a Stanford crew to back it up it had better call quits and give up the ghost.

We will row when we can. We want to hear nothing more from you.

Talk to the galleries if you want to, but we will not listen.

STANFORD MASONS ORGANIZE.

Permanent Association Formed by Members of the Order.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CAL., March 1.—Members of the Masonic order of Stanford University have taken the first steps toward the formation of a permanent association here. There are at present about twenty Masons in the student body and faculty. At the preliminary meeting S. G. Bailey was elected chairman and G. W. Garrett temporary secretary. Others present were: J. F. West, George F. Maddock, F. J. Polley, S. P. Elias, J. H. Coverly, W. A. Pritchard, M. A. Tucker, W. A. Cannon and W. J. Thompson.

The new organization will be known as the Stanford Masonic Association. The present intention is to give a banquet on founder's day, March 9. Fraternal spirit naturally runs high here because of the numerous Greek-letter secret societies, and it is not improbable that the Masons may in time have a more material evidence of their presence in the university.

PORTLAND LITIGATION.

San Franciscans Engage in a Suit Involving $1,000,000.

PORTLAND, OR., March 1.—The suit of Sarah H. and D. Albert Hiller of San Francisco against the estate of William S. Ladd of this city, involving in the neighborhood of $1,000,000, went to trial in the United States Circuit Court this afternoon.

J. W. Ladd, agent of the Oregon Steam Navigation Company, died in San Francisco in 1871, leaving a widow who afterward married D. Albert Hiller. It is alleged that Williams S. Ladd converted nearly 8000 shares of Navigation stock to his own use, when it should have gone to his brother's widow. The present suit is for an accounting and distribution of the estate of J. W. Ladd.

Funeral Rites at Santa Cruz.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., March 1.—The remains of Captain George H. Sagar were buried to-day under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and A. O. U. W. organizations. The religious portion of the service was conducted by Rev. H. F. Briggs, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church. The funeral was held from the home of the family. The preparations for burial were simple, though not in strict conformity with the rules of the Reform Burial Association, of which Mr. Sagar was a member. Mrs. Sagar would not consent to the strict observance of the ceremony prescribed by the association. No crepe was used, however, nor will the charters of the lodges be draped as usual.

Wedding at Sausalito.

SAUSALITO, CAL., March 1.—A very pretty wedding took place here this afternoon, the contracting parties being Miss Fanny Hughes of this place and W. O. Warnock Jr., formerly of Marin County, but now connected with the Market street Railway Company. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. Mr. Hamilton of the Episcopal church. The bride was given away by her brother, George Hughes, and was attended by her little sister, who looked like a dainty little fairy. Dr. J. J. Spottiswood of Mill Valley was best man. There was a profusion of lovely flowers and a dainty luncheon was served after the nuptial knot had been tied. Mr. and Mrs. Warnock, after spending the honeymoon at Del Monte, will reside in San Francisco.

Chinese Land at Port Townsend.

PORT TOWNSEND, WASH., March 1.—Twelve of the Chinese passengers of the steamship Victoria, who have been in quarantine at Diamond Point for the past three weeks, were before Collector Saunders to-day pressing their claims for admittance into the United States. They proved themselves merchants entitled to admission, and were permitted to pass. The remaining thirty-two Celestials will have their cases looked into as rapidly as possible.

BLINGUM'S POLO CHAMPIONS WIN

Santa Monica Goes Down Before the San Mateo Athletes.

Society Assembles in Force to Applaud Each Brilliant Play.

Russell Ward of the Local Team Badly Injured by a Fall From His Horse.

SANTA MONICA, CAL., March 1.—The polo tournament to-day between the Burlingame team, including Messrs. Hobart, Tobin, Baldwin and McCreery, and the Santa Monica team, composed of Messrs. Proctor, Young, Ward and Waring, was an exciting one. A large crowd of enthusiastic spectators witnessed the play. Many society people, some of whom came from San Francisco, were present.

The Burlingames were better mounted and better drilled than the local players, and they won by a score of 5 to 1. Russell Ward of the local team suffered two bad falls. In the last one his horse rolled over him. The extent of his injuries is not yet determined. The fall was caused by a collision with McCreery. The game was finished with Mitchell as a substitute.

Hobart's brilliant playing was a feature of the game. McCreery was a close second in point of fine work, and Proctor and Waring of the local team did valiant services. Captain Bolton, who refereed the game, met with a hard fall from his horse at one stage of the game, when he once got too near the excited players.

The grand stand and inclosure was gay with club colors—white and yellow. The wives of the playing members dispensing hospitality and tea, while an excellent orchestra cheered the athletes with dashing melody.

CAPTURED AT CHICO.

Constable Woods Arrests a Convict Who Escaped From Oregon Officers.

CHICO, CAL., March 1.—Constable Woods this morning captured William Keys, who had escaped from a Deputy Sheriff in Oregon last September. Keys, who claimed to have been a member of a detective agency, attempted last July to arrest a man who he claimed had been stealing wood. The man was riding on a stage running out of Lakeview. Keys leveled a shotgun at the fellow and ordered him out of the stage, but the driver whipped up his horses.

The man accused of stealing the wood swore out a warrant for the arrest of Keys for assault with a deadly weapon. Keys was tried, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The night before he was to have been taken to prison he made his escape and has since been in California. For the past few months Keys has been working on the Keefer ranch, north of town. To-day he came to town to cash an order. He was seen and recognized by a gentleman from Lakeview who informed Constable Woods.

Santa Cruz Official Wants Pay.

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., March 1.—A mandamus suit has been brought in the Superior Court by Ben K. Knight, Assistant District Attorney, to compel Auditor Ed Martin to draw a warrant for $100, in payment of Knight's salary for January. Knight was appointed by District Attorney Carl Lindsay, upon approval of the Board of Supervisors. Martin refused to audit the claim for salary on the ground that neither the Supervisors nor the District Attorney had a legal right to make the appointment.

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The manager of the other store referred to was for nine years located among the coffee plantations of Java as a buyer of coffee for the English army. He is reasonably supposed to be a coffee expert. Postum is used by his wife, children and himself at his own home.

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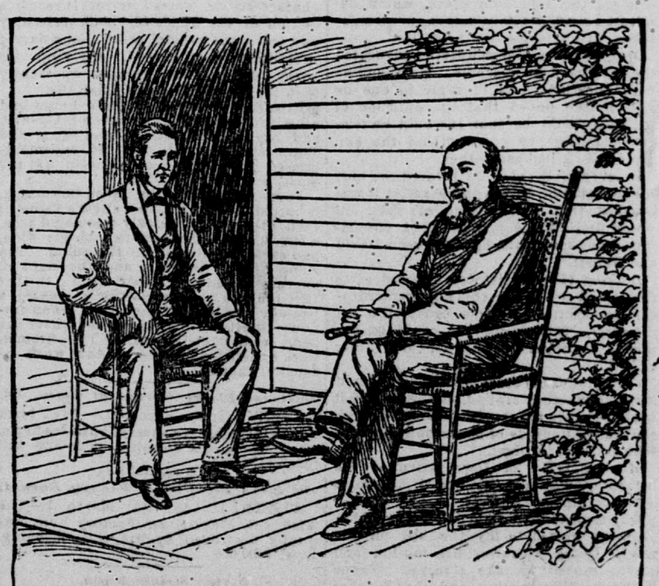

A resident of Shawnee, Tennessee, says: "I want to tell of the benefit I received from taking

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