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JOB FRAUD FOR MR. JOHNSON

National Believes It Has B. Bancroft in a Hole.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 15.—The baseball cat is out of the bag. Barney Dreyfuss, owner of the Pittsburgh club, disclosed to a local friend why Dreyfuss national league had apparently agreed to nearly all the demands of Ban Johnson.

The National league magnates really believe that they have the American league in a very bad muddle. If their conclusions are correct, Mr. Johnson will realize that he has just completed a bout with a buzz saw in the shape of half a dozen men whose experience in baseball is practically unlimited. The facts in the case are these:

Ban Johnson and the American league magnates signed the peace agreement, which specifically stated that neither league is to change its circuit under any circumstances without the majority consent of the other.

In the agreement the specified circuit of the American league includes New York city, and the National league magnates at the Cincinnati peace conference are positive that the American league will be unable to place a ball club in the metropolis. If Johnson is unable to put a club in New York, it will leave the American league with only seven clubs, which cannot be increased to eight except by the consent of the National league, and the National league will see to it that Johnson does not enter New York. It also will withhold its consent for him to enter any other city not named in the peace agreement.

Brush, Ebbs, Hanlon, Rogers and Soden, who have so strenuously objected to the conditions of the peace compact, have not yet been apprised of the real facts in the case.

"The American league will not have a club in New York," said Dreyfuss, "because it is impossible to get grounds in that city. There is only one spot on Manhattan Island outside of the Polo grounds and the Polo field which is available for a ball park, and that is the Lenox avenue site which Johnson tried to secure through the Interborough Rapid Transit company and failed. I am willing to lay a big wager that Johnson's forces do not play ball in New York."

"I am certainly pleased with the result of the peace conference. While from the agreement it appears that the American league has much the better of affairs, there are many things which will satisfy all the National league people with the two days' work in Cincinnati. Suppose Johnson is unable to get in New York and desires to add another city in order to fill out his circuit, what position would the National league take in the matter?" was asked.

"Well," responded the Pittsburgh president, "the National and American league magnates signed that agreement in good faith, and we propose to have it lived up to."

ST. PAUL GETS HORSE SHOW DATES

American Association Will Exhibit Here July 7 to 10.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 15.—At a meeting of the Southwestern Horse Show association today, with twenty-one cities represented, the date for the exhibition was changed to the American Horse Show association. Officers were elected for the ensuing year and all of the twenty-one cities were named as members of the present season. The officers elected are: President, Mortimer Levering, Mortimer, Ind.; vice president, Robert Aul, St. Louis; Fred Labst, of Milwaukee; George L. Goulding, of Denver; secretary, A. E. Ashburn, of St. Paul.

Among the dates assigned are the following: July 1 to 4, St. Paul; July 5 to 8, Minneapolis; July 10 to 13, Des Moines; Sept. 15 to 18.

The association recommended the adoption of a new and uniform classification by which both horses and vehicles can be intelligently judged.

JEFFRIES STILL TALKS ABOUT JACK MUNROE

Champion Declares Miner Would Last Quick Before Kid McCoy.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Jan. 15.—Jim Jeffries says that Kid McCoy will knock out Munroe, the Bufile pugilist, in two rounds, if they ever come together. "Munroe is a rank fake," declared Jeffries, "and he is not a fighter. He has his own claim to recognition is the alleged fact that he put me down in Butte, Mont., July 1, 1902, and he has since been handling Munroe."

"The crowd was impatient that night at Butte," Jeffries advised, "and I decided to please the spectators I decided to let Munroe stay four rounds and forfeit the \$500 offered for a fight against me. I hit him on two occasions with more force than I put in the blow that laid Fitzsimmons out for a year and a half. As skillful a man as McCoy or Gardner or Hart should stretch him in one or two rounds."

TIM BLOOD WILL HEAD BROOKLYN TEAM

Former Western League Infielder Is Selected by Hanlon.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 15.—Timothy Flood, formerly second baseman of the St. Joseph Valley team, has received notice from President Hanlon of the Brooklyn baseball team, that he has been selected to captain the Brooklynians during the coming season. Mr. Flood will accept the Brooklyn offer.

BELMONT TRANSFERS PROPERTY. Plan to Reorganize Jersey Club Is Carried Out.

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Restaurant in New York Where Food Is Automatically Dispensed.

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"I have found it! I have found it!" he cried. "A restaurant where you don't have to tip the waiter!"

"Ah, go on!" "Impossible!" "Got them again!" were some of the expressions which met this announcement.

"It's a fact," insisted the young man, "for how can you tip the waiter when there is no waiter?"

That was a puzzler, and for a minute it kept them quiet. Then asked the "lady" of the key machine: "But how can you get anything to eat if there are no waiters?"

"It's an automatic restaurant in Broadway," he explained. "You drop your money in the slot and out comes your food in a jiffy."

And forthwith the office force hurried off to take a luncheon out of the slot.

A most remarkable place is this "Automat," the latest, quickest and most improved quick lunch institution to settle in this city. Two records have already been established. One is held by the restaurant, the other by a "speedy feeder" from one of the department stores. The restaurant without the aid of a single waiter fed 7,000 persons in one day. The man succeeded in downing a complete luncheon in one minute and forty-five seconds. He even had time to drop a peppermint into his pocket. His best record in an ordinary restaurant was three and a half minutes.

For a quick service of human nature there is much to be said in this strange eating place besides the almost human machines which deliver the food. One can put a finger on half a dozen New York characteristics. The most prominent is a reckless haste in eating. The man who has been here before, but which in this eating speedway shows a disregard for dyspepsia which is sublime.

The busy man rushes in at one door, jobs a nickel readily into the slot marked "ham sandwich," receives one instantly, goes along the line to the fish chowder slot, which calls for a dime, and in a minute has a complete meal. More interesting perhaps is the curious man who is taking his time and is determined to investigate this new wonder of the world.

"Every man his own bartender!" he explains as he observes the labels on the line of slots to the right. He starts in with a gin and tonic, and a highball after having had all sorts of things in between. This recklessness is entirely due to the fact that the drinks come bubbling out of the slot; at a regular bar he never would have thought of mixing.

With a smiling face he leans back and watches others tugging at the new drink. A woman slips up to the cocktail section and draws a dainty red drink. She waits for the drink to stop, and the smile of satisfaction is replaced by a frown. She stands there looking at the glass, until the manager passes. "What do you mean by labeling this machine 'cocktail'?" she demands. "But it does serve cocktails, madam," he answers. "There is your drink waiting for you."

"Cocktail!" she cries; "you call that a cocktail! Then, where is the cherry?" Adjoining the cocktail berth there are several sections from which gurgling foam after one puts in a nickel and the machine begins to operate. The beer tanks are many glasses. Short, fat German in a broken voice demanded "Fin beer." Then he saw the sign, and with a gasp he recognized his nickel. "Chust like the little gum chewing droppers," he said. He pulled back the lever and the beer came bubbling out. He spent a second nickel without complaint.

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the shacking of the brute, as well as the shaving and other treatment needed. You can easily see that the work would be harder on the animal than the electric current.

HE INFORMS UPON AN OLD COMRADE

Kansas City Man Delivers Joseph Hrdlicka to Authorities for Desertion.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 11.—Joseph Hrdlicka, formerly of St. Louis, a deserter from the United States army, was taken to the Leavenworth penitentiary today from here.

Seven years ago Hrdlicka was a well-to-do plumber in St. Louis, and was happy with his wife and little girl. In the tornado of 1894 his wife was killed. He began drifting around the country. In 1899 he enlisted at St. Augustine, Fla., in the United States army. A comrade stole his fatigue cap. Hrdlicka informed William Rybarger, one of his comrades, and he was court-martialed and sentenced to prison.

Hrdlicka came to Kansas City and went to work at the plumbing business and each week sent a part of his wages to his little girl, who lives with her grandparents in St. Louis.

His employers said he was an expert and most excellent workman, but Hrdlicka had to go to prison. A deputy United States marshal took him to the military prison at Leavenworth. Rybarger went along to see that he was safely locked up.

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