

BRITT LOST HIS HEAD AND THE FIGHT AS WELL.

He Had Gans all But Out When he Struck Low and the Negro Won on a Foul-- The Winnings of Fast Horses--Choynski Quits the Ring.

San Francisco, Oct. 21.—Jimmy Britt of California lost the light-weight championship of the world to-night when he fouled Joe Gans of Baltimore in the fifth round. He had sent Gans to his knees in the fifth round and then, losing his head, gave him a vicious punch and referee Granev promptly awarded the decision to Gans on a foul. The same thing had happened in the fourth round. Gans had dropped to his knees to escape a blow that did not land. Britt struck at him but Granev would not allow the foul. In the next round, however, Granev very promptly recognized the foul fighting.

It looked almost from the start as if it were Britt's fight. He actually outboxed Gans and landed blow after blow. In the fourth round it was apparent that Gans was scared and barring a foul the fight was Britt's to a certainty. While no excuse can be made for Britt losing his head, it certainly seemed that Gans invited a foul. The decision was a great shock to the biggest crowd that ever filled the pavilion, but fair minded men agreed that Granev's judgment was just. Britt showed marvelous strength and quickness. He went at Gans like a bull terrier, landing body blows alternating with swings on the jaw. During the first three rounds Gans appeared cool and confident and fairly strong. He appeared to be feeling Britt out, but at the end of the third and the beginning of the fourth when Britt commenced to fight more fiercely, Gans weakened perceptibly. He landed a few times on Britt, but the little white boy paid no attention to the colored man's light taps and every time he was hit bore in more viciously than ever. There is no doubt in the minds of the majority of those present that in another contest at the same weight Britt defeated Gans easily.

Referee Granev said after the fight: "I really should have given Gans the decision in the fourth round when Britt fouled him, but as Gans was not hurt I overlooked it, though Britt himself admitted that I could have called a foul at that time. The second offense in the fifth round was so palpable, however, that I was forced to give Gans the decision." Britt was frantic with rage when he realized that he had lost the fight and he rushed at Granev, striking wildly. Granev, who is something of a boxer himself, fought back, but the police interfered and separated the belligerents.

Britt declared as he left the ring: "I know that I can beat Gans and I want to fight him again." The fight demonstrated that Britt is a wonder in his class. He is a clever boxer, quick as a cat and a hard hitter, with the addition of having a bull-dog grit that makes him fight all the harder when he is being punished.

Gans and his followers were highly delighted at the decision and had no complaint coming. After the fight, when Britt had recovered his temper, he apologized to Granev and said: "What could I do when a man fell every time unnecessarily? I am sorry I hit him while on his knees, but I could not help it."

An ineffectual mix followed. Britt caught Gans with a terrific right to the jaw, dazing the colored man. He followed the right with a right and left swing to the head, forcing Gans to a clinch. Britt rushed in, fighting wildly. He bombarded Gans' face and body with right and left swings, and put some punishing rights over the heart. Britt at close quarters distressed Gans with a fearful right on the body. Gans clung desperately to Britt to avoid punishment, and the gong found them in this position. It was all Britt's round.

Round Four. Britt waded in fiercely, rushing Gans to the ropes with a heavy left over the heart. He then missed right and left swings for the body. Britt kept himself well covered, and was a puzzle to Gans. Britt sent Gans back with a succession of rights and lefts to the face and lefts to the body. Jimmy then shot a straight right to the body and followed it with a right swing to the body. At close quarters Britt landed some heavy blows. Gans suddenly shot his left hand to Britt's jaw, but in return Britt put in body blows that sent Gans to his knees. After a mix-up, Britt sent Gans to the floor with a left to the jaw. Gans rose, but was again floored with right and lefts to the face. There was fearful confusion, and the bell was not heard. In this round Britt hit Gans accidentally while Gans was down, but a claim of foul was disallowed. Gans was in distress, and the gong saved him.

Round Five. They mixed it fiercely. Britt went after Gans like a whirlwind. Britt sent Gans to the floor with a succession of rights and lefts to the jaw. As Gans was attempting to rise Britt met him with a desperate right to the jaw. Eddie Granev quickly disqualified Britt and awarded the decision to Gans. The excitement was terrific. Britt rushed at Granev like a madman and fought him to the ropes. A squad of police immediately jumped into the ring and it looked as if there would be a general fight. The house gave vent to its disapproval by tremendous hooting and wildly cheering Britt as he went to the centre of the ring.

San Francisco, Nov. 1.—Rough estimates of the gate receipts of the Gans-Britt fight place the amount at about \$35,000. The pugilists will equally divide their share, according to previous agreement. Britt to receive 60 per cent. in the event of losing and seventy-five per cent. if a winner.

Choynski Quits the Ring. Joe Choynski has decided to quit the fighting game for all time. The glories and the glamour of the ring he will leave for younger men, and from now on his time will be peacefully spent in raising vegetables on his Illinois farm. Joe was matched to fight Philadelphia Jack O'Brien Thursday night in St. Louis. He wired the club that he had decided not to go on. He found the work of getting into condition too hard.

There are few big fighters in the world that Choynski has not met. He has fought Grays with Jim Corbett, Jim Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons, Gus

Rublin, Tom Sharkey, Kid McCoy, Marvin Hart, Jack O'Brien, Jack Johnson and Peter Maher. He battled with Jim Hall when Hall was great. Joe can retire on his bank account as well as his laurels. As a real estate collector he rivals Philadelphia Jack O'Brien.

The Rings. Bath, Me., Oct. 31.—Arthur Cote, of Biddeford won tonight on a foul in the third round of his bout with Walter Burgo of Boston.

Portland, Me., Oct. 31.—Guy Ashley of Fall River and Bartley Conolly of Portland boxed 15 good rounds to a draw at the Pastime Athletic Club tonight.

Ex-Champion Dead. New York, Nov. 1.—George Crooke, at one time the middle-weight champion of the world, is dead, at St. Barnabas hospital, Newark, at the age of 62 years. Says the Times. Death was due to an attack of pneumonia.

Football. The U. N. B. football team left this morning for Menramook to play. They will also meet Moncton, Sackville and on their return will play the All-St. John team.

Rugby on the Decline. A great deal has been written lately on the decline of Rugby, and in some districts it is unfortunately only too true. Take London, for instance. A few years ago Blackheath and Richmond could always command their two, three and four thousand spectators at a match, where as now there are only hundreds, and to many minds this falling off is entirely due to the uninteresting game played by London teams. One must go with the times, and if they would only try and develop the four-three-quarter system, which was intended to open up the game more, and do away with the old stereotyped forward game it is certain interest in the game would revive again. It is all very well for Rugby teams to say they can get on without "gates," but look at its effect on the game! What is more disheartening to players than to turn out before empty benches and with no encouraging cheers from supporters? If the Rugby union would make a rule that all matches should last eighty minutes instead of seventy, then men would get fit, for their own sakes. A league has been suggested, but it is doubtful if it would improve matches. The games as "friendless" are quite hard enough at present, and a system of points might bring a lot of rough play into the game, which should certainly be avoided. The only benefit would be punctuality, and there again the London clubs are the worst offenders. What is wanted in Rugby football is to have the ball continually handled

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among the backs, and not (as is chiefly the case now) lose half the game in a mass of forwards.

Offer for Bowker. An effort is being made to bring Jim Bowker, the new world's bantam champion, to this country. There are a score of capable bantams who are ready to meet Bowker, but the chances are that if he really comes here he will only select the best men in his class to fight him. J. G. Message, matchmaker of the Blue Island, Athletic Association of Blue Island, Ill., has cabled an offer of \$2,500 to Bowker to meet Harry Forbes, the ex-American bantam premier. The Englishman to fight Forbes 10 rounds some time in January. The club is also prepared to give liberal expenses if Bowker undertakes the trip. While this is a fair sum for a 10-round bout, the impression prevails that Bowker can earn five times that sum by meeting some of the best lads in his class at San Francisco in a 20-round bout. It is a long time since England has turned out a champion, and naturally the foolowers of the game in this country are anxious to see what the foreigner looks like and how well he can fight. Charley Mitchell thinks that if Bowker does come he will not come later than January of next year.

Big Money for Fast Ones. With all the reports in the principal money winners of the year on the harness turf are as follows:

- TROTTERS. Sweet Marie, 2.05, by McKinney, \$21,225. Consuelo, S., 2.07, by Directum, \$13,975. Dr. Strong, 2.07, by Strong Boy, \$13,850. Alta Axworthy, 3, 2.10, by Axworthy, \$12,883. Grace Band, 3, 2.09, by Bondsman, \$12,350. Tiverton, 2.04, by Galileo Rex, \$10,500. Stanley Dillon, 2.07, by Sydney Dillon, \$9,600.

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MARINE NOTES. Steamship Gamen arrived yesterday at Liverpool from Pugwash, N. S. with a cargo of deals, shipped by W. Malcolm MacKay this city.

The new schooner King of Avon, launched at Hantsport recently, is now at Walton loading with plaster.

The barkentine Antigua, owned by Capt. H. H. Greeno, Cheverie, is undergoing repairs on the Caldwell blocks at Summerville.

The schooner Leach A. Whidden, laden with laths, sailed from Musquodoboit on Friday from New York. The schooner Vinita has gone to St. Margaret's Bay to load for New York.

The schooner M. D. S. Captain Oglivie, arrived last Sunday at Windsor, N. S. from Providence, R. I., with fertilizers for F. W. Dimock. She left Providence Sunday, 23rd., encountered heavy winds, but favorable, and the run was made to Horton Bluff in about 65 hours. She will leave for Hantsport some time next week to be painted and overhauled.

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JAPAN. When we think of you, Japan, 'Tis of dance and painted fan, And of cherry blossoms sweet and fair; All the tempests are asleep, All the waters laugh and leap, Only sunshine fills the balmy air.

Still we know life holds for you Gifts of wormwood and of rue, And beside the cherry grows the thorn; Underneath your gay attire, Beats a heart of steel and fire, And your feet press upward, bruised and torn.

Toward the heights you climb, Japan, With the dance and painted fan, You've the hero heart and steadfast soul; When the battle flags are furled, In the great court of the world, You shall answer, when Fame calls her roll.

Grief has filled your homes, Japan, Stilled the dance and closed the fan, For what claims your young and dear and brave; Far from you their sleep may be, By the turbid Yellow Sea, Yet shall Honor guard each lonely grave.

(Hartford Times.) Ninette M. Lowater.

PACERS. Morning Star, 2.04, by Star Pointer, \$15,900.

John M., 2.03, by Paris, \$11,725. Gallagher, 2.03, by Royal Rysdyk, \$9,375.

Angus Pointer, 2.04, by Sydney Pointer, \$8,955. Baron Grattan, 2.06, by Gratton, \$7,075.

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