

News of Sport.

LITTLEJOHN-JORDAN BOUT WAS A VERY TAME AFFAIR.

The Men Went Ten Rounds in Carleton City Hall Yesterday Afternoon But No Decision Was Given--Two Lively Preliminaries--Price Won at the "Vic."

THE RING.

A Tame "Go."

The prospect of seeing Dan Littlejohn and Billy Jordan in a ten round go attracted some 400 spectators to Carleton City hall yesterday afternoon. It also attracted Chief Clarke, Deputy Jenkins, and a squad of police who were prepared for any emergency. But the emergency did not arise. The affair was a boxing exhibition, pure and simple, and any of the spectators who paid a dollar with the expectation of seeing Littlejohn put it all over his dusky opponent or vice versa was disappointed. No decision was given and although the men boxed fast and gave a good exhibition they did not at any time forget that anything approaching a fight would lead to trouble. Perhaps much of this was due to the careful manner in which Jack Power as referee handled the go. He kept both boxers under complete control all the time and in this respect pursued the course of wisdom for either man, had he received any encouragement he would have warned it up to the king's taste.

As to the result--there was no decision--that is by the referee, but the spectators did not need one. It was apparent to all that if the go had been for a decision with the winner taking the big end of the purse, Littlejohn could have won as he liked. The principal bout was called on a little before four o'clock. Littlejohn entered the ring attended by Tug Wilson, Irvine Earle and Johnnie Creagan. Jordan was handled by Hazen Campbell.

Referee Power announced that there would be no decision but that the men would go ten fast rounds and he thought would give a good clean exhibition of the manly art. Chief Clarke inspected the gloves and a minute after time was called. The rounds were of two minutes duration. The men lost no time in getting together and at once the difference in their condition and style was noticeable. The local man looked trained to the hour while Jordan seemed to be, if anything, over trained.

In the first round the boxing was very tame. Both men fiddled and Dan landed a light left over Jordan's eye. There was an interchange of body blows and Jordan clinched. They

broke at the word and the round closed with light sparring.

In the second Jordan rushed Littlejohn to the ropes but he planted a left on the Springhill man's head and got away without a return.

Dan forced matters in the next round and Jordan seemed somewhat distressed. He was breathing heavily and took every opportunity to clinch. There was but little fast boxing Littlejohn doing all the leading and the colored man either breaking ground or clinching.

The fourth round warmed up. Jordan jabbed viciously at Dan's stomach with his right and followed with a stinging left to the head. Littlejohn came back with a hard right on the ribs which could be heard all over the house and followed it with a succession of lefts and rights to the face and head. It looked dangerous but Referee Power called time after the men had been going a minute and ten seconds and the fun ended before it had properly begun.

Some spectators hissed and the referee, stepping to the front of the stage said "I'm the best judge of how this thing is going and if you don't like it you can get your money back. If you will take my chances you can have my job." The round was really the only fast one in the whole bout. In the fifth and sixth rounds there was nothing doing. Littlejohn was under leash, as it were, and Jordan was too tired to take an active interest in affairs.

The seventh round was rather nice. There was a fast exchange and Jordan forced Littlejohn to the ropes. Dan came back with a right to the head that turned his opponent round and when time was called both men were clinched in the centre of the ring.

In the eighth Littlejohn landed a straight right on Jordan's mouth and his head went back. Dan showed a further disposition to mix it up but a warning word from the referee stopped him. The ninth and tenth rounds were tame.

As preliminaries Billy Burns and Jack Francis and Billy Ramsay and Jack Rogers went four rounds each.

Britt vs. White.

As was expected, there will be no contest between Jimmy Britt and Willie Lewis of New York. The Californian has decided to let the challenge of the New Yorker go by the

boards for the present. Britt aims now to meet either Jabez White or Joe Gans and is negotiating for such encounters. Britt thinks that by defeating either Gans or White he will gain more prestige. The crack Westerner is coming East in a few days ready to entertain matches with Gans and White. Incidentally, he will engage in a few six round bouts at Philadelphia if sufficient inducements is made.

Charlie Mitchell, who represented White in this country, has gone to England to bring the Briton here. Mitchell is expected back in America in about a month and Britt intends to keep his promise and fight the foreigner. If there is any hitch in the negotiations he will look to Gans, and in case he fails to meet either he probably will give Lewis a hearing. Lewis has signed articles to box Mike Ward, so in the meantime the New York boy will not be idle.

Ring Champions.

The following are holders and claimants of pugilistic titles of champions for 1904:

Bantamweight--Joe Bowker, of London, Eng.

Featherweight--Title held by Jimmy Britt, but legitimate featherweight championship claimed by Abe Attell and others.

Lightweight--Championship title conceded to Jimmy Britt, though technically held by Joe Gans.

Welterweight--Billy Melody.

Middleweight--Title given Bob Fitzsimmons, but claimed by Tommy Ryan and Jack O'Brien.

Heavyweight--James J. Jeffries.

Boxing Notes.

Tommy Ryan knocked out Billy Stiff last Thursday night in the fourth round of what was to be a ten-round bout at Benton Harbor, Mich. The fight was very one-sided. The bell saved Stiff in the third round. In the fourth Ryan landed his right on Stiff's jaw for the finishing touch.

"Sandy" Ferguson, the Boston heavyweight, who has often been referred to as a possible champion, is in trouble. He was arrested the other day on a charge of highway robbery. It is alleged that Ferguson knocked a woman down with a heavy blow in the face and stole her pocketbook. The fighter will be tried early this week. Bangor victims of Sandy's double-cross will await the result with savage interest.

Jack Munroe having turned down Jim Jeffries' offer to act as the champion's sparring partner in the play Davy Crockett, Yank Kenney will be engaged by Jeffries to box with him on his tour of the country. Bob Fitzsimmons has offered Jack Munroe \$100 per week to be his boxing partner in Fitz's play, A Fight for Love.

"Dixie Kid" has been substituted for "Young Peter Jackson" and will fight Larry Temple tonight before the Eureka A. C. of Baltimore.

Willie Lewis can secure a match with Jimmy Briggs, the lightweight champion of New England, if he does not catch on with Jimmy Tritt. Briggs also has a victory over Martin Canole to his credit.

Charley Neary of Milwaukee has posted \$1000 as a forfeit for a

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match with Battling Nelson. He wants to fight Nelson before the West End A. C. of St. Louis, for 15 rounds at 133 pounds. Neary has a decision over Battling to his credit.

HOCKEY.

The First Match.

The first hockey match of the season is scheduled for Friday evening at Queen's Rink, the two local senior teams being the contestants. This will be the first match in the provincial league, and very great interest centres in the Neptunes and Mohawks in connection with the winning of this year's trophy. Each club has a very strong team both of which have been putting in the hardest kind of practice preparing for Friday's event when one of the most interesting games of the season will doubtless be witnessed. The Ramblers and Y. M. C. A. teams will also play the first game of the intermediate series.

SKATING.

Price Won The First Race.

There was a very good attendance at the Victoria rink last night, but owing to the condition of the ice, there were very few skaters. The race which was advertised to take place between the fifth and sixth bands was successfully carried out. The starters were Jimmy Price, scratch, and the others has the following handicap: Belyea third of a lap, Johnson, Lawson, Whitebone, and Logan, half a lap, and Hipwell three quarters of a lap.

From the start the interest centered around Price and Belyea who rapidly overhauled the others, and the finish was very close. They finished as follows: Price 1st, Belyea 2nd, Hipwell, 3rd. Time 3:06.

THE TURF.

Cousin of Dan Patch.

The surprise of the season in Washington county is Wilkes Boy, owned

by J. R. Sederquest of Calais, which was brought over from Prince Edward's Island. He is a cousin to the world-famous pacer Dan Patch (1:59). He has beaten nearly all of the fast ones of that vicinity and drove Tomah (2:10) to a break.

One of this week's purchases in Bangor was that of the bay mare Princess, which is now the property of Dr. C. L. McCurdy. The horse was purchased from the stable of Palmer Bros., of Patten. She was raced on the track last season by Charles Cone of Calais with considerable success, having the fine record of making but four breaks in a series of 18 races. She has a record of 2:22, and is a remarkably fast straight-away horse.

Fine Lot of Stakes.

Secretary John Borden, jr., of the Brighton Beach Racing Association, New York, yesterday announced a fine budget of stakes to be run at Brighton Beach during the spring and fall meetings next year. They will all close on January 3, 1905. The Brighton Handicap, the fourth of the "big five" spring and summer handicaps for three-year-olds and over, which begins with the Metropolitan and ends with the Saratoga, is renewed as a \$25,000 race. It is accordingly the most valuable of its kind of the entire season. It will be run, as usual, during the summer meeting, The \$10,000 Brighton Cup, two miles and a quarter, and the Cup Preliminary, one mile and a half, will be run in the fall. The Test Handicap, the Jamaica, the Islip Handicap and the Nautilus are also renewed, and the "Brighton Mile," a \$3,000 race for 3-year-olds and over, at weight for age, is announced. This race is sure to become popular. Foal entries for the \$30,000 Produce Stakes of 1907 are due on the same day.

Fredericton Races.

On the river at Fredericton, yesterday, the horse races were witnessed by a large crowd of spectators and proved quite interesting. In the first class McCoy's Moody, Calder's Kremont, and Colter's Macduff were favorites but it is difficult to determine which of them carried off the honors of the day. Province Belle, pacer, owned by Spencer Sterling, also made a good showing. Horses owned by J. C. Allen, N. A. Edgcombe, Hugh O'Neill, H. F. McLeod, Alex. Thompson and John Hatt competed in several spirited though rather undecided brushes. The weather was mild and the track was in fine condition for racing.

CURLING.

Among the Scots.

Fredericton, Jan. 2--The curling match at the rink today between the presidents and vice-presidents resulted as follows:

Presidents.

Rutter, skip	18
Fowler, skip	17
Hawthorne, skip	13
Macnutt, skip	7
Limerick, skip	13
Randolph, A. H., skip	7

An Easy Way to Cure Splitting Headaches.

If headache sufferers would do a little head thinking, they would surely learn that headaches of all kinds are simply results--warning signals--of far more serious trouble. Usually headache means that the blood and nerves are poisoned by an inactive and sluggish liver. Don't become one of the habitual headache sufferers, who explain their condition by saying, "Oh, I am subject to headaches. I always get headache if I get excited, or it is too noisy." There is no need of it, either. Stop taking headache powders and powerful drugs that may relieve, but leave you in worse condition in the end. Put your liver in good shape, so that it will carry off foul accretions and remove properly the bile elements from the blood. Use Smith's Pineapple and Butter-nut Pills and you won't have headache. Why? Just because these little pills are Nature's true laxative, and a positive cure for a torpid liver. They assist digestion, unload the bile ducts and cure headache by first removing the cause. Smith's Pineapple and Butter-nut Pills cure headache, constipation and biliousness in one night. Price 25 cents at dealers.

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Allan, skip	15
Randolph, R. A., skip	8
Simmons, skip	19
Wilson, skip	5
Wetmore, skip	17
Campbell, skip	23
Bridges, skip	17
Hatt, skip	15
Totals	128

The presidents had a lead of 35 on Christmas day so will keep the Coleman cup for the year.

The curlers of St. Andrew's, Thistle and Carleton rinks were disappointed with the weather yesterday as it was so mild that the ice was wet and the new year's games were declared off.

Turo, N. S., Jan. 2--The first game of a series in the Nova Scotia junior curlers' league were played here today between the Halifax and the home club, resulting in a victory for Truro by 73 to 58. The score by skips was:

Truro.	
Cummings, skip	13
McDowell, skip	21
Suckling, skip	17
J. Dover, skip	22
Total	73

Halifax.	
Murray, skip	20
Harvey, skip	15
Hocken, skip	15
Simpson, skip	8
Total	58

NO CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.

New York Board of Education Votes to Spare the Rod.

The New York Board of Education has adopted the majority report of the committee on elementary schools, recommending that no changes be made in the present by laws of the board, which do not allow corporal punishment. The majority report was signed by five members and a minority report, favoring the rod by four members one of whom was Chairman Wiley. After a lively discussion the vote stood that twenty-two members of the board opposed the restoration of corporal punishment, while fifteen favored it.

In supporting the minority report, Commissioner Wingate showed that 90 percent of the principals of the city with boys' classes favored the rod, and urged the board to save the 96 percent of good boys in the schools by giving the principals power to restrain the 4 percent of bad ones. Commissioner Donnelly asserted that it was cruelly to expose women who teach boys to the insults and annoyances to which they are now subjected. "There is enough of corporal punishment in our schools now," asserted Commissioner McGowan "without this board stamping its approval on the system." President Tift has prepared a report, at the request of Mayor McClellan, showing that in the last year twenty-two new schools and thirteen annexes have been opened to 57,025 pupils. Since last January nineteen schools and twenty-nine annexes with accommodations for 49,579 children, have been contracted for and are under way. Plans for schools with seats for 28,000 more children are ready. During the year three high schools have been completed and four have been begun. The increase of teachers has been from 11,417 to 11,815, or 398, a phenomenally small number.

A REMARKABLE DOG.

A solemn man recently entered a restaurant followed by his dog, seated himself, and called for a bill of fare. The dog meanwhile had climbed upon a chair on the other side of the table, and was gravely regarding his master.

"What would you like to have, sir?" asked the waiter, flipping his napkin.

"Well," said the solemn man reflectively, "gimme some oxtail soup."

"Gimme the same," said the dog. The waiter's face assumed the colour of cold boiled veal.

"Cup o' coffee and plenty of milk," went on the solemn man.

"Gimme the same," said the dog. The waiter shuddered and fled for the kitchen. A cock-eyed man at another table was much interested, and said to the solemn man, "It must be a fearful lot o' work to teach that dog to talk, mister."

"What'll ye take for him?"

"Wouldn't sell him," said the solemn man.

"You'd better not," said the dog. The cock-eyed man at last bid him \$50, and he took it.

"I'm sorry to part with him," said the solemn man.

"And you will be sorry for it," said the dog.

The man was leaving when the dog cried again, "Never mind; I'll get even. I'll never speak again."

He never did. The cock-eyed man was proprietor of a show. The solemn man was a professional ventriloquist.

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