

FITZ SAYS HE IS A WINNER

Is Confident That He Will Be Able to Defeat Corbett.

VERY ANXIOUS ABOUT FIGHT

Willing to Have It Come Off Within Six Weeks from Date--An Effort to Have It Take Place in January or February.

In his dressing room at the Frothingham theater yesterday afternoon Pugilist Robert Fitzsimmons, middle-weight champion of the world, entertained representatives of the press and was interviewed regarding his proposed fight with James J. Corbett for the heavy-weight championship of the world.

He looks as healthy as a spring trout and says he feels that way. In his bare feet he stands 5 feet, 11 1/2 inches and weighs now about 162 pounds. In fighting costume, the only part of his frame that assumes the build of a fighter is the upper portion of the trunk, his massive shoulders and long sinewy arms.

"Don't you think," asked the reporter, "that you may be underestimating your antagonist's fighting qualities, and that you will have a bigger contract on hand than you seem to be aware of?"

"Never mind, don't worry, I'll lick him," was the response.

"What is your personal wish about fixing the date for the fight?"

"I will fight in six weeks from now; that is all I want. For my fight with Dan Creedon I trained only four weeks and I could train in the time to meet Corbett. You can see I have no superfluous flesh on me and all I need is exercise for my mind. I take an hour's exercise every day and that keeps me in trim muscularly, but to get my wind right, I would have to do some running and walking, or jogging, anything you please to call it. There is nothing builds a man for endurance, such as counts in a fight, better than, say, a walk of nine or ten miles at a good, steady gait, and on the return, run four miles of that swiftly, then break into a jog for a mile or more and switch off into a motion like this," and Mr. Fitzsimmons not up and went through a pantomime after the fashion of a goose on a dead run.

He said that he does not think, to use his own words, "that the fight will ever be pulled off in Florida." Where it will take place is a matter that he is as far away from knowing as he apparently could be. Corbett does not want to fight before September, and in the meantime something may develop that would disrupt the plans for a fight if the place were settled upon now.

The city council of Jacksonville, Fla., recently rescinded the ordinance allowing prize-fighting, and that constitutes a stumbling block. Mr. Fitzsimmons would like to fight before the Olympic club of New Orleans, which has offered a purse of \$50,000. Negotiations with this club did not pan out, because Corbett refused to consider the offer when it was not accompanied with ready cash.

He refused to allow the club twenty-four hours to stake the money, because it was unfriendly to that club. Mr. Fitzsimmons is responsible for these statements.

The Edison Kinetoscope company offers \$50,000 for the fight and wants to have it take place in Mexico, where there is no danger of interference from the authorities. The pugilists could fight, it is claimed, before the instrument, and every movement, every blow, and even the twinges of their muscles would be reproduced. These instruments would be carried through the country and a price charged for looking at the fight through them that would reap a harvest to the stockholders of the company. Mr. Fitzsimmons favors fighting under such auspices.

He prepared himself for his exercise and invited the reporter to witness it. In the center of the stage was arranged an apparatus for punching the bag. He superintended the arrangement of it and suspended the bag with his own hands. The exhibition he then gave was a marvelous one. His cat-like quickness and agility came into play as his long arms shot out and sent the bag upward against the boards as quickly as the puffs from a locomotive going sixty miles an hour. He gave an exhibition of parrying, uperattling, forearm blows, shoulder thrusts, and swinging blows that awakened in the reporter's mind a thankfulness that it was the bag and not himself that was getting them. After an hour's vigorous exercise, he dressed and went to his hotel.

He is Easy to Manage. Captain Glori, his manager, speaks in the highest terms of Fitzsimmons on the stage. His habits and conduct are of the best and there is no trouble in managing him. He said that the pugilist is so anxious to meet Corbett that he has given cast iron instructions to make no engagements that can not be terminated at a moment's notice. He is

not under contract at present to fulfill any theatrical engagements beyond Jan. 20. Captain Glori carries the articles of agreement between Fitzsimmons and Corbett in his pocket and says he is going to make another effort to get the fight to take place either in February or March. If he cannot, he is willing to wait until Corbett is satisfied to arrange a date. As Mr. Fitzsimmons was ready to depart, he predicted that the fight would be settled inside of twenty-five rounds.

At the Frothingham. Last night Fitzsimmons and his company gave an entertainment at the Frothingham to a large audience. The gallery was crowded, the balcony well filled, but the first floor had a number of vacant seats. The performance opened with juggling by John R. Hart, Little Flo Perry, a mite of tender years, who should not be allowed to appear on the stage, sung, danced and recited in a creditable manner, and Gordon and Lack, musical comedians, did an entertaining turn. Miss Nellie Franklyn sang several character songs in a pleasing way. William E. Whittie gave a good exhibition of ventriloquism, Baron and Forrest, descriptive vocalists, sang several songs and then, Howley and Doyle made their appearance.

Howley is a Serantonian, and was given a rousing reception. The exhibition of dancing given by himself and Mr. Doyle was one of the best ever seen in the city. Joe Hardman did a monologue that had some local hits in it, but was coarse at times, and the Fitzsimmons family entertained with songs and dances. They were the most creditable feature of the evening's entertainment.

Fitzsimmons appears. Bob Fitzsimmons brought the entertainment to a close by a splendid exhibition of bag punching and a sparring bout with Con Reardon that was so tame that the gallery protested in long continued whistles. Fitzsimmons is quick, but his work with the gloves against Reardon did not give the audience a very exalted opinion of his prowess.

C. P. O'Malley has been in receipt of many letters and telegrams of congratulation since the result of his great victory in the Fourth legislative district became known. One of the messages was from Governor-elect Hastings. It referred to Mr. O'Malley as the "Baby" of the next house. Physically and intellectually there will be few bigger men in the next state legislature than Mr. O'Malley, but he will be younger by four years than any other member of the house.

Judge Peck, of Towanda, who is holding court in court room No. 2, this week, is a pleasant, affable gentleman and makes an excellent judge.

TWENTY ACRES OF LAND

Ejectment Suit to Determine Owner of a Property of That Size.

INTERESTING LEGAL BATTLE

Distinguished Attorneys Who are Trying the Case for Plaintiff and Defendants--Case of Moran Against Leonard Will Go to the Jury Today.

A legal battle that will prove most interesting event in court room No. 3 before Judge Gunster yesterday afternoon, and in all probability will occupy the attention of the court for several days. The action is one in ejectment and is brought by the Mutual Life Insurance company against the defendant, Mrs. W. W. Winton. The plaintiff company, the coal operator, and Mrs. Catharine Winton to obtain possession of twenty acres of land in the Thirteenth ward of this city, which is valued at upward of \$50,000.

Mr. Johnson is mining the coal from under this land in accordance of a lease with Mrs. Winton. The plaintiff company is represented by City Solicitor Torrey and Attorney B. Moran, of Philadelphia, and the defendants by ex-Judge Harding and ex-Attorney General H. W. Palmer, both of Wilkes-Barre. The cause of the present action is briefly as follows:

All Due to a Loan. Away back in the seventies the Mutual Life Insurance company lent a sum of money to A. B. Dunning and took as security for it a bond and mortgage on his property at Elmhurst, then known as Dunning's. W. W. Winton was security for Mr. Dunning on the mortgage. The debt was not paid and the property was sold, but sufficient money was not realized to pay the amount due the insurance company, and it began proceedings against Mr. Winton to compel him as security to make good the deficit. The Green Ridge land now in dispute was levied on as his property and sold, the insurance company becoming the purchaser.

It never obtained possession of the property, as it was claimed that it was not owned by W. W. Winton at the time the sale was made. It is contended that W. W. Winton owed his wife Catharine a large sum of money, and that some time prior to the levy made at the instance of the insurance company he confessed judgment, and the property was sold to satisfy the claim. Mrs. Winton becoming the purchaser. This sale, the plaintiff in endeavor to show, was a fraud. But little testimony was heard yesterday, and at 4 o'clock court adjourned for the day. This morning Mr. and Mrs. Winton will be put on the stand.

Moran-Leonard Suit. In the main court room, before Judge Archibald, the suit of J. J. Moran against E. Leonard was tried yesterday. Moran sues to recover for work done in erecting a brick stack for boilers used to heat the Holy Rosary church buildings at Providence.

Mr. Leonard refused to pay, for the reason, as he believes, that his contract did not provide that he should have the stack erected. His contract, he says, was to provide the boiler and a building to cover them, nothing else, and he believes that Mr. Moran should apply to Rev. N. J. McManus, the rector of Holy Rosary church, for his pay for the stack. All of the testimony had been heard when court adjourned for the day.

Mills Against Holtham. Hugh Mills, of New Street, was the plaintiff in a suit tried before Judge in No. 2. Thomas Holtham, a Penn avenue wholesale liquor dealer, was the defendant. In 1892 Mr. Holtham conducted a hotel on Capouse avenue and employed Mills to do some work about his home, at Green, for which the plaintiff claimed he was entitled to \$24.75.

As an offset to this bill the defendant alleges that Mills obtained food and drink at his hotel far in excess of what the wages claim amounted to. The jury gave a verdict for the full amount of Mills' claim.

Was Not Archibald's Wife. Gay Serantonian Who Made Trouble for Wilkes-Barre Authorities. George Archibald, of Seranton, came to the mayor's office yesterday and said his wife had run away from him and was living in a house of ill repute on Fall street, conducted by a woman named Anna Thomas. Warrants were issued and Officers Perry, Helm, Galagher and Chief Briggs made a raid on the place at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and arrested the inmates, Lizzy Seymour, Maud Stewart and the proprietress, Anna Thomas.

At the hearing it was shown that the man Archibald was not legally married to the woman he called his wife and that he had another woman living with him. The mayor expressed his contempt for men of Archibald's stamp in vigorous language, and after scoring the Thomas woman for being engaged in such business fined her \$25 and the other women \$5 each. The mayor also held Miss Thomas under \$200 bail for court--Monday evening's Wilkes-Barre Times.

At the first concert it is expected that V. C. Woodson and his sister, who is a very fine soprano, will take the solo parts. A circular platform will be erected for the chorus, which will number not less than 200 voices, and they will be accompanied by piano and orchestra. The admission to the concert made the arrangements complete in every possible detail.

Alderman Wright Gave Judgment. Alderman Wright yesterday gave judgment in the action brought by the forty-five Italians against Contractors Fahey & Nichols, for work done at the Ridge, Archibald. A large sum was deducted for purchases made at the store and the figures, as calculated by the alderman, received by both parties. Attorneys Taylor & Taylor represented the women and Attorneys Taylor & Lewis the contractors.

Dunmore Doings. Fresh oysters received daily at Palmer's market. The Potter residence, corner of Blakeley and Potter streets, is being extensively repaired. H. A. Dupue and Edward Early have returned from a hunting trip with unusually good success.

The Pennsylvania Coal company and the Erie and Wyoming Valley railroad will pay their employees today. Miss Ella Walsh, of Pockville, who has been visiting Dunmore friends the past week, has returned home. The Dunmore Cash store is giving free lunches of "breakfastina," served by a young lady. Drop in and try a dish.

Thomas Thornton has removed from G. W. Frost's building at the Corners to his father's house on West Drinker street. The Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church is growing in membership. Several new members joined last Sunday evening. The funeral of the Italian that was murdered Sunday night was held yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment in Mount Carmel cemetery. A surprise party was given last evening to Frank Bllicken and Carlton Letchworth at their home on Chestnut street, it being Mr. Bllicken's birthday.

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At the Frothingham Friday and Saturday and Saturday matinee, "My Wife's Husband" company, which is credited as being one of the strongest and best comedy dramas on the road, will be produced. The company is composed of a carefully selected metropolitan cast of ladies and gentlemen, including William H. Smeadly, lead season with Charles Frohman's "Gloriana" company and three seasons with Mrs. Keeney. Mr. W. H. Smeadly, stage manager for Jeffrey Lewis the past three seasons, and others. The play is so constructed as to give ample scope for good acting, singing and dancing, and just enough pathos to create one quart of tears to every 10,000 laughs. One of the features will be the living pictures by Miss May Callahan, America's most beautiful model.

"Wang," with a large company of sixty people and two carloads of scenery, drops and properties, comes to the city to play at the Frothingham theater with a special ladies' and children's matinee at 2.30 p. m. Among the novel features of the much-talked-about comic opera, "Wang," is a burlesque rendered by ten of the cleverest and prettiest girls in the company; a quaint ballet chorus of nursery rhymes given by several charming little girls, none of whom is over seven years old; a Stamese wedding ceremony reproduced accurately in every detail; a real launch and a royal barge floating among French men-of-war at anchor in the harbor of Bangkok, and a really wonderful ballet, whose method of getting rid of a four-gallon glass of beer is a mystery to the audience.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Green Ridge castle 196 A. O. K. of M. C., at the meeting held Nov. 5, 1894:

Whereas, It has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to call from his laboring home in the faithful discharge of his duty as a miner in the Marvite shaft on Oct. 20, 1894, that which we humbly submit to the rulings of an all-wise Providence in the death of Brother Manton, our caste has lost a worthy member and the community an upright citizen.

Resolved, That a faithful husband and a kind and loving father has been taken from his home and that we sincerely extend the bereaved ones our profound sympathy, hoping that He who dries the mourners' tears will be their consolation in this their hour of affliction; be it further:

Resolved, That we drap our charter for thirty days in memory of Brother Manton, and that a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family, spread upon the minutes of the castle and published in the Seranton daily newspapers. Committee, George Barron, Edward Jones.

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