IS TEX RICKARD

**ONLY FOOLING?** 

Promoter Planning Another Join

and Johnson Battle.

NEGRO SAYS HE IS WILLING

If Men Are Matched Where Will Bout

Be Held?-Public Would Not Look

Upon It With Favor-Would Not At-

By TOMMY CLARK.

ously the plans of Tex Rickard to put

off another fight between Jack John

son and Jim Jeffries. Yet the Reno

promoter is not merely talking, but is

likely to go through with his scheme.

Rickard has given it out that he hold

Johnson's promise to meet Jeff at any

time that it might suit his pleasure,

provided the right sized purse was

offered, and Rickard is now working

hard to get Jeff's consent to arrange

the match. The fact that Jeffries has

repeatedly charged that he was drug

ged on the day he fought Johnson

leads to the belief that it will not be

a difficult matter to induce him to

Jeffries recently stated that he

would not fight again. Still, it must

be remembered he said the same thing

when he was first approached to meet

Johnson after the latter's defeat of

Tommy Burns. It is not necessary to

review unpleasant history which was

made when he changed his mind. It

is a possibility of similar reversal of

ideas that Tex Rickard and his associ-

ates are banking on at the present

time. Jeff's real friends hope he will

close the argument for all time with a

curt refusal to fight again, but this is

If the men are matched, where will

the fight be held? It surely will not

take place in San Francisco. And if

Just what view the public would

take of such a match remains to be

seen. Right now the sentiment would

be against a return engagement, for

those who can figure Jeffries as having

a chance are few and far between. It

would be looked upon as a mere effort

on the part of those interested to get

Jeffries and Johnson might make a

fair amount of coin out of the bout,

thanks to the repeated hollers from the "California bear" that he is positive

he was drugged, but it would be no

worldwide sensation. Outside of Jef-

fries, his immediate family and one

or two newspaper writers who are

warm personal friends of the defeated

dol, no one even hints that Jeff could

come back, even with the most strenu-

If he was all in at Reno, who

shouldn't he be in worse shape, so far

as fighting is concerned, a year or so

hence? Fight enthusiasts might attend

because the sporting public sometimes

likes to be bunkoed, but the fight, in

all probability, would have the same

sort of ending. But there would be

this satisfaction in handling the

match-Jeff would have to come down

from his lofty throne of indifference

and sullenness to make the match a

financial success. He would have to

train under orders and be more agree

As a defeated champion, and defeat

ed with no credit to himself, Jim Jef

fries would likely discover the sporting

public inclined to treat him more

coldly. There would be less running

after Jeff and more necessity for him

In signing for such a fight the Call

fornian would make it apparent that

he wants the money rather than, as

he once loftily put it, the glory of reclaiming for the white race the heavy

weight championship. Nor will be be

able to lay the blame of forcing him

back into the ring upon the newspa

The former bollermaker should un

derstand once for all that public senti

ment does not require him to get back

into the game. The public is either in

different on the subject or would op-

pose it if it had a word to say. Jef

fries may fight for the sake of gold. but that will be all. The proposed

fight cannot stand out by itself and

would be nothing more than a contest

between the recognized champion and

one of the familiar sights of the prize

ring-the beaten man who wants one

Bicyclist Moran to Race In Paris.

in the recent six day bleycle race in

New York, who is now in Paris, will

SPORTS IN SMALL CHUNKS

engage in a series of races there.

Jimmy Moran of the winning team

able to the world at large.

Rickard plans to hold it in Reno he

fight the negro again.

far from assured.

would lose a fortune.

the public's money.

us training.

One finds it pretty hard to take seri

tract Any Great Interest.

## Scrap Book Of

Misjudged.

A young woman rushed up to a young man on Superior avenue the other day and shook hands with him "I have a confession to make to you," she gurgled. "You won't believe it, but I always thought you drank."

The young man fingered for a clove

and tried not to blush. "And now," she pursued, "I find that you are actually a temperance worker. Now I see you are trying to be medest and deny it, but you can never fool me again. I overhead my brother saying, in his slangy way, that you were a great booze fighter! Oh, he was in earnest. Why, he said that you had punished more of the stuff than eny other ten men in Cleveland. I'm proud to know you. Will you ever pardon me for misjudging you?"

She was gone before he got through choking.-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Ah, what is life, so brief at best? A walking between rest and rest; An insect's trail along the sand; A gen's bright flash upon the hand; wave line traced on ocean's shore A wave time traced on ocean's shore, Just rippled there, then seen no more; A breath upon a frosted pane, A moment warmed, then chilled again; The shadow of a cloud that stays Until obscured by passing haze. Canst think of aught more brief, more

image forth Time's flying feet? Yet in the shadow, in the breath, Our love awakes, which knows no death, And life, which seems so brief to be, Is crowned by immortality! -Margaret May.

The Parrot Told.

The late Dr. Macgregor of St. Cuthbert's, Edinourgh, had a favorite parrot, a brilliant linguist and remarka-"quick study." As he was going into the country for a month Dr. Macgregor arranged with a friend who had a parrot to take charge of his pet. He ordered his beadle to carry the cage to the bird's new abode.

It was a wet and stormy night, and the beadle grumbled to himself in language unbecoming a minister's man, while the parrot listened. So when he was set down in the parlor of a saintly lady and the cover removed the bird addressed himself directly to the other parrot:

'Ye - ugly beast, if it wasna for you I widne hae been oot the nicht!"

Jolted the Judge.

A prominent New York justice got a jolt the other day, and he is telling the story of it yet. He said that late one afternoon he gave a case to a jury and that it was 4:30 o'clock the following morning before the jury agreed upon a verdict.

'I waited for the verdict," said the justice, "and after it was returned I told the jurors that, as it was possible that most of them were married men, if they desired I would give to each a certificate that he had been detained until 4:30 o'clock in the morning on

jury service. "The jurors consulted together for lew minutes," continued the justice. and then the foreman arose and said, "We thank you for your consideration and appreciate the kindness of your offer and desire to say that if your honor needs a certificate to the effect that you were detained until 4:30 o'clock in the morning waiting for our we will gladly

The justice hastily declined this kind offer with thanks and just as hastily adjourned court.

His Recommendation.

A girl named Norah O'Brien had been employed as housemaid for a week, so an English story runs, during which time she had drunk the contents of a bottle of choice whisky. She became dissatisfied with her posttion and asked her employer for a Her employer wrote, "Norah O'Brien has been in my employ only a week, but I know that there is much that is good in her."

Made the Most of It.

A typographical change, which was exactly an error, recently cost an Indianapolis printer \$5 when he had expected to send only 10 cents. The printer in question was busy a few days ago, when he was called on by an itinerant member of the craft, who asked for 10 cents with which to buy matic culling and then when spring some liquid refreshment. Not having 10 cents in change, the printer hastily through the winter with the younger wrote an order on a downtown saloon,

"Please let bearer have one good drink and charge same to ----.

it was \$5, and he at once raised objec-The original order was produced, when it was found that the itinerant had changed the "I" in the word "drink" to "u," making the pa-per good for "one good drunk." It had taken fifty glasses of booze to satisfy the altered conditions of the order to the satisfaction of the bearer. -Indianapolis News.

He Wouldn't Bribe Them.

One of the cleverest bits of electioneering dodgery engineered in England was devised by an agent who had been forbidden to corrupt the electors. He called a meeting and attended with his pockets full of gold. "I have to inform you, gentlemen," he began, "that there is to be no bribery on our side during this election. (Hear, hear. For my part I do not intend to give away a penny piece. (Uneasy slience.) But I am afraid there are some d-d the amount. rascals in this room and that present ly they will lay me on the table and take 500 sovereigns out of my pock-ets." The next few minutes he spent



THE AYLESBURY DUCKS.

Most Popular of the Different Breeds

Probably the Aylesbury duck 's the most popular of the different breeds of ducks. It most certainly is in England, as it has been said that there are 2 Aylesbury ducks

marketed to one of any other duck. The reason the Aylesbury is so popular is that it is a bird which grows and matures very rapidly, and its white feathering and pinkish. write peak commend it for the mur-There are however, objec-

tions to the Aylesbury which make it not by any means a perfect bird. The first objection is that it is not a good Its laying qualities can be materially improved by crossing it with the Pekin. As a maiter of fact. Pekin ducks mated with an Aylesbury drake will produce layers of much more proline type than the pure Aylesbury or indeed than the pure Pekin, very often. Again, a cross between the Rouen and the Aylesbury will produce a harder and bigger table bird, quite equal in quality of flesh and other table properties to the pure Aylesbury. Another point worthy of notice, is that many strains of Aylesbury ducks are rather delicate and need a grea deal of attention, a disadvantage which, of course, can be gotten over by jadicious crossing. The farmer ho goes in for duck keeping, will assuredly find more profit in good crossing than in keep. ing any pure variety, for ducks pay to hatch artificially, either for rearing or for selling the ducklings in the open market.

As far as the latter part of the business is moncerned. It is certainly a fact that a cross bred duckling will show it all more sturdy and more forward than any pure bred Aylesbury duckling. Of course if duck eggs be the object in view and not the rearing of ducks for the table, the Pekin will be found more profitable than the Aylesbury, but even more profitable than the Pekin is the Indian Runner, or the new Klaki, either of which will tay a great many more eggs than any of the old varieties.

Generally speaking then the pure bred Aylesbury duck is not what a farmer needs. Summed up it may be sale not to be the best layer nor the best table bird.

#### Fattening Turkeys.

An experiment was made as to the gains of turkeys confined in pens as compared with those that ran at large. Those in pens were given all they could eat clean of a mixture of wheat, oats, and barley 2:1:1. In the morning the grain was fed chopped and wet with milk, but in the evening it was fed whole. It was noted that the turkeys were apparently more fond of oats than of other grains, so toward the end of the fattening period the proportion of this grain was increased. A little grain was fed the turkeys which were not confined, in addition to the food which they could gather. The five turkeys in pens weighed on an average 6.55 pounds each at the beginning of the test. During the forty-two days of the feeding period the average gain was 4.5 pounds. 6 pounds of grain being eaten perpound of gain. The turkeys running at large also weighed at the beginning of the tests 6.55 pounds each and made an average of 1.85 In both cases the great-

pounds. est gairs were made during the first three weeks of the period. It is stated that the penned turkeys when dressed shrank five per cent less than those ruuning at large and that they were plumper and in every vay more inviting in appearance.

The farmer who does not mark his pullets each year has no way on earth to tell the age of his flock, and when he wants to cull them out and sell off some he is just as liable to sell the pullets as he is the hens. Some farmers do not do any systecomes and the hens have been fed females, they come through fat and then every day or two when you let them out in the morning, some of them do not come out, and a care-When later he went to pay the bill ful survey discloses them dead un-

der the roost. Then the farmer will wonder why his hens die. The pullets may be marked with a hole in the web of the foot, but a better way is to put a leg band on the pullets and then it will se known that all who have no band are older Then next year there would not need to be any banding, for before the young would grow up the old ones that were on hand prior to this year should have been sold, so that the banding would only need to be done every other

The poultry man who keeps only two-year-olds is the one who will make the most profit. A three-old hen will not lay eggs enough to pay for her keeping.

Duck feathers sell at 40 cents per pound. Good feathers bring double

About four dozen eggs are given as an average for the annual output of the turkey

JOSH GAVE THE CUP.

But He Couldn't Make Good on the Bear Proposition.

Josh Billings, the gaunt, long haired philosopher, was one of the most genial of men. Many of his ill spelled sayings were meaty, and one of them at least was worthy of Solomon. It

"The best way for a father to train his boy in the way he should go is to go that way himself."

Some years ago, when Josh was staying in the White mountains, he was charmed by a beautiful spring of clear, icy cold water which bubbled up at the side of the highway. He made the carriage stop and, removing his slouch hat, lay down on his face and drank a deep, refreshing draft. In compliment to him the residents in the neighborhood named the fountain "Josh Billings' spring," and it has thus been known ever since.

At the nearest village Josh bought a huge tin cup and scratched on its side the warning:

Whoever steals this fine big cup By a big black bear will be eat up. JOSH BILLINGS.

This cup was placed on a broad, flat stone within convenient reach. A few days later the humorist, having nursed a consuming thirst, walked all the way to the spring to quench the To his dismay and anger the utensil was gone, and on a sapling near at hand was tacked a bit of paper with the penciled words: Dear Josh, your cup is gone, I know not

Now, if you please, trot out your big black bear.

Fortunately for the poet he dld not sign his name or give any clew to his identity.-Los Angeles Times.

He Meant Well.

When Earl Spencer was lord lieutenant of Ireland the people of Dublin called the beautiful countess, one of the loveliest women of her time, 'Spenser's Faerie Queene."

But when their excellencies were about to return to England Irish gallantry was shown in a characteristic way. At the farewell banquet in their honor an Irish gentleman who was auxious to pay the beautiful countess a compliment got up and said, with much fervor and many bows:

"We all hope soon to see you back again, you and the work of art by

Willing to Be Fined.

There was an actor who worked for a manager who had a mania for fining the members of his company. For a bad makeup, for lateness, for noise in the wings, for a hundred things, the players were bilked from a quarter to \$2. The worst of all the fines was one of 10 cents for failure to return "properties," for this was a duty that every one, and this actor in particular, continually forgot.

In a financial drama one night the supply of stage money ran out, and the manager loaned our actor \$8 or \$9 in real bills to use in the next scene.

The menager said sternly to the acfor the following Saturday: "By the way, Booth, you haven't returned that 89 I have you in act three

Monday night.' "Never mind," said the actor. "Just fine me a dime and call it square."-Philadelphia Ledger.

Took His Medicine.

A famous actor will never take medicine, and his medical man was often obliged to resort to stratagem to im-There is a play in which the hero is sentenced to drink a cup of poison. The actor in question was playing this character one night and had given directions



WHEN HE CAME TO DRINK IT.

to have the cup filled with port wine. But when he came to drink it what was his horror to find it contained a dose of senna! He could not throw it away, as he had to hold the goblet upside down to show his persecutors he had drained every drop of it. Our hero drank the medicine, but he never forgave his medical man, as was proved at his death, for he died without paying his bill.

Merely a Dentist's Job.

MacDougal - Dougal determined to celebrate the christening of his firstborn in grand shape and journeyed to London to buy many things for the house, and especially a fine plano.

MacDougal-Dougal decided to have the piano sent on in advance. didn't wart to take it up with him, for it was a somewhat bulky package, so he dispatched it jubilantly before he left town.

When he arrived in Scotland he was met by his trusty retainer. "Well, did the piano arrive safely?"

he asked. "Aw, weel," replied Donald, "she's as weel as ye could expeck. She slipped as she was ganging tae the hoose an' broke a foo of her front teeth, but I dinns think she's reelly burt"

Reversed the Proposition

Robert Wickliffe Woolley, the writer found it necessary not long ago to take a trip west. On the dining car of the train he saw that he had in his pocket 10 cents in change, his small est bank note being one for \$50. He handed this to the porter, who went to the end of the car for a conference with the conductor.

"I'm very sorry about this," said the conductor, standing in front of Woolley and toying with the big bill, "but we haven't the change for \$50. We'll just take your address and send you the change."

Woolley calmly reached over and possession of the banknote. "You've got nothing on me," he said. 'I'll take the address of the railroad and send the price of the meal."-Chicago Record-Herald.

Maniacs.

Not all the lunatics are behind the bars.-Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier.

Quite so. There are yet a few men at large who try to do business without advertising.-New York Herald.

Distinguishing Marks.

Willie-How do you manage to tell those twin sisters apart? Cecil-When you kiss one of them threatens to tell her ma, while the oth-

rible that it made my bair stand on end. Judge (severely)-Be good enough to remember that you are on oath!

Dynamite.

Gelatine dynamites are more difficult to explode than the ordinary brands, and require quintuply force caps or double-strength fuses to develcp the full force.

A Great Structure.

London has completed the steel structure of its great stadium where the Olympic games are to be held. It is designed to accommodate 70,000 spectators.

Newspapers in China,

The growth of public spirit in China is evidenced by the great number of newspapers which have sprung up since the close of the war with Japan.

#### ERIE TRAINS.

Trains seave Union depot at 8.25 a. m and 2.48 p. m., week days. Trains arrive Union depot at 1.10

and 8.05 p. m. week days. Saturday only, Erie and Wyoming arrives at 3.45 p. m. and leaves at

Sunday trains leave 2.48 and arrive at 7.02.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

Going Too Far.

Baldheaded Man (in the witness box)—The violent disorder was so terrible that it made my hair stand on

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#### SAY! IT'S GOING TO RAIN!

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