

PUGILIST KILLED IN THE RING

A DEADLY KNOCK-OUT FOR WALTER CROOT.

JIM BARRY, OF CHICAGO, DOES THE WORK

BY LANDING A PUNCH OVER THE HEART,

FOLLOWED BY RIGHT-HANDER UNDER JAW.

Croot Sustains a Severe Concussion of the Brain, Loses Consciousness, and Expires a Few Hours After the Battle.

London, Dec. 7.—Walter Croot, of Newcastle, England, who was defeated for the bantam-weight of the world at the National Sporting Club last night by Jimmy Barry, of Chicago, died this morning of the injuries which he received during the contest.

The knock-out blows consisted of a severe punch over the heart and then a crushing right-hander on the jaw. Croot remained unconscious so long that medical assistance was called. It was found that he had sustained a severe concussion of the brain. He never regained consciousness and expired at 9 o'clock this morning. Barry, who was arrested shortly after the death of Croot, was taken to the Bow street police court. The affair has caused great excitement in boxing circles.

During the first ten rounds Barry did most of the scoring in a thoroughly scientific struggle. Then Croot made a determined stand and at the eighteenth round had almost equalized matters. In the nineteenth round Barry immediately forced the work at a great pace and finished much stronger than his opponent. In the twentieth round Barry put in some excellent drives and with a crushing right-hander on Croot's jaw, knocked him out, when only forty seconds remained to the stipulated limit. Barry had just sufficient in hand to have secured a verdict had the contest reached its full length, but the decisive manner in which he finished his rival stamped him as a dangerous hit.

CHAS. FLEISCHMAN'S STUD. New York, Dec. 7.—Among the more than 500 horses from thoroughbreds, which left this port recently for Europe, there was one shipment which in many of its features was the most notable that has gone from this country, says the Herald. Briefly, it was the removal of Charles Fleischman's breeding stud from New Jersey to Australia. All told, there were thirty-two head, exclusive of the foals at foot which went with their dams, most of the stock being brood mares. Mr. Fleischman should have next year a large and promising band of youngsters for entry in the many rich, but strictly European stakes.

BIKE RACE

THE GREAT CONTEST IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN.

A Succession of Surprises That Have Smashed All Records to Smithereens.

New York, Dec. 7.—The great six-day bike contest at Madison Square Garden has afforded a succession of surprises almost from the moment of starting, but the way in which records have been smashed, every hour has been a veritable nine-day's wonder. No one would have been surprised to see the figure for the twenty-four hours' record increased by ten or even twenty miles, but to pass it by more than a half century was not within reasonable imagination. Yet, Waller had accomplished this feat at midnight and now holds the record for twenty-four hours by fifty-seven miles and three laps. More than half a dozen of the other riders have eclipsed Hale's figures of last year.

When the first spectators began to gather around the track today they found only twenty riders instead of the thirty-six who started in the six day's race. The pace set by the leaders had told quickly and many men known as stayers were glad to quit. Those who still plodded along seemed in fairly good condition. No serious accident has marred the race, excepting the case of Foster, who was compelled to quit early yesterday on account of a bad spill.

Smith, the Saratoga rider, retired shortly after midnight, suffering from dysentery. Among the others who quit during the night and early morning were Barnaby, Blakeslee, McLeod and Readling. The last named is the plucky soldier who holds the record for sitting 260 miles in the saddle without dismounting. Enterman had a split about 2 a. m. and bent his handle bars. He was soon mounted on another wheel and circled the track at a good clip.

The score at 9:15 a. m. was as follows: Waller, 618 miles; Stephane, 618; Miller, 597; G. Rivierre, 594; Rice, 578; Moore, 556; Schinneer, 547; Pierce, 546; Golden, 527; Elkes, 515; Hale, 496; Enterman, 494; Hicks, 491; Ashinger, 448; Julius, 413; King, 491; Gannon, 405; Gray, 349; Johnson, 326; Beacon, 327.

Waller was 77 miles ahead of the best record for 32 hours, which was 542 miles, made in 1896.

At 11:15 a. m. the score was as follows: Waller, 659; Stephane, 652; Miller, 636; G. Rivierre, 630; Rice, 612; Moore, 591;

Schinneer, 555; Pierce, 581; Golden, 553; Elkes, 548; Hale, 528; Enterman, 526; Hicks, 514; Ashinger, 472; King, 457; Cannon, 437; Julius, 436; Gray, 372; Beacon, 342; Johnson, 351.

Best previous record for thirty-five hours, 568 miles, made by Shock, at Washington.

New York, Dec. 7.—The score at 12:15 p. m., 36 hours, was as follows:

Stephane, 670; Waller, 668; Miller, 645; G. Rivierre, 638; Rice, 631; Moore, 607; Schinneer, 602; Pierce, 599; Golden, 579; Elkes, 556; Hale, 538; Enterman, 539; Hicks, 533; Ashinger, 482; King, 466; Julius, 452; Cannon, 451; Gray, 383; Johnson, 370; Beacon, 360.

The best previous record for thirty-six hours in a six days' race is 585 miles, made by Shock, at Washington.

Stephane took the lead at 11:47 a. m.

New York, Nov. 7.—The score at 1:15 p. m. was as follows:

Waller 687; Stephane 678; Miller 665; G. Rivierre 649; Rice 646; Schinneer 621; Moore 618; Pierce 616; Golden 576; Elkes 564; Hale 557; Enterman 556; Hicks 537; Ashinger 493; King 481; Julius 461; Cannon 467; Gray 391; Johnson 386; Beacon 372. The best previous record for 37 hours, six days race, 602 miles, made by Chock at Washington in 1896.

THE FIRST STEP

By Government as a Bidder in K. P. R. R. Sale on December 16.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The secretary of the treasury today took the first step to qualify on behalf of the government as a bidder at the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad on December 16.

A transfer order for \$900,000 was sent by Treasurer Roberts for certification to the National City Bank of New York in favor of the master of the court having jurisdiction of the case. This order will be delivered by the master five days before the sale by an officer of the treasury department, who it is believed, will bid at the sale, under instructions from the president.

\$800 DAMAGES

AWARDED TWO PASSENGERS WHO FAILED TO REACH DAWSON.

Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia, Interested in Building Ship Lines Into Alaskan Territory.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—In the federal court today Judge Hanford awarded Caston Jacobi and Chas. Buff, two passengers who started to Alaska last September on the steamer Eugene, \$800 damages each against the owners of the steamer for the failure to land them at Dawson.

PROPOSED ALASKAN LINE.

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—The Alaskan trade bureau of this city has received a letter from ex-Gov. Jos. Hoadley who is associated with the ship building firm of Wm. Cramp & Sons, of Philadelphia, in the States Steamship Co., stating that he will do all in his power to have San Francisco made the southern terminal of the company's proposed Alaskan line. Five steamships of over 3,000 tons each are to be placed on the ocean and will connect with a small fleet of river boats, reaching all parts of Alaska. The company is capitalized at seven million dollars.

DYEA AS A SUB-PORT.

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—A letter has been received by the chamber of commerce of this city from the citizens of Klondike county, of Tacoma, expressing a willingness to assist in any movement looking to the closing of Dyea as a port of entry. The energetic efforts of the Canadian government to capture the bulk of the Klondike travel is dwelt upon at length and figures are given to show what an immense revenue may be derived from the tax on the outfits of the prospectors alone, if some means is not taken to retaliate.

KILLED HIMSELF

DEED OF JUDGE HORACE R. BUCK, OF MONTANA.

Shot Himself in the Right Eye at His Home in Lenox, Near the City of Helena.

CONGRESSMAN BERREY

PALMA ON THE MESSAGE

DID NOT EXPECT IMMEDIATE ACTION BY CONGRESS

TO BE RECOMMENDED BY THE PRESIDENT,

WHO DOES NOT EVEN SUGGEST AUTONOMY BY CUBANS.

WHAT CUBAN DELEGATE BENJ. GIBERGA SAYS.

The Granting of Autonomy to Cuba by Spain Proclaims to the World the Justice of Cuban Rebellion and the Right to Appeal to Arms.

New York, Nov. 7.—T. Estrada Palma, representative of the Cuban provisional government in the United States, commenting upon President McKinley's Message, according to the Herald, says:

"I did not expect any recommendation to congress for immediate action, but the president left congress to decide the time within which an enduring peace must be established in Cuba and intimates the necessity of haste by the use, in this connection, of the words 'in the near future.' He further says that in case of the failure of Spain to pacify the island with the scheme of autonomy American interests, humanity and civilization will demand forcible intervention. As Capt.-Gen. Blanco himself admits that the Cubans in arms will not accept autonomy, the time for the president to speak has arrived."

"It will be noticed that the president does not even suggest acceptance of autonomy by Cubans, and it is evident that he would not have written the last paragraph in the terms that he did if he believed that autonomy would bring peace in Cuba." Mr. Benjamin Giberga, formerly a merchant of this city, but at present connected with the Cuban delegation and a brother of Senor Eliseo Giberga, the Cuban senator, said to a reporter:

"The granting of autonomy to Cuba by Spain proclaims to the world the justice of the Cuban rebellion and the right the Cubans had to appeal to arms, since only through force would Spain have been compelled to grant to Cuba what is but a semblance of home rule. But it is now too late even for the most ample form of autonomy, which is not what Spain is ready to concede. Spain's autonomy will be such in name only and for the exclusive use of the residents of the ports and the few interior towns held by Spaniards. The Cuban patriots now in arms are the only ones to decide and will never accept autonomy; they have declared it time and again; they are fighting for absolute independence and the offer of autonomy they consider a plain avowal by Spain that her cause is lost. At the beginning of the war when Martinez Campos suggested reforms for Cuba, a prominent newspaper of Madrid replied to him, voicing public opinion, that they would send to Cuba 'No reforms but guns.'

"General Weyler went soon after to Cuba to carry out the policy then in vogue. Now, when all Spaniards see that Spain's cause is irrevocably lost, as she has no money and no credit and no more men to send to Cuba and is threatened with a Carlist war at any time, besides that waged war against her in the Philippines, they are exceedingly anxious for the Cubans to accept autonomy. Why did they refuse it before? Because they considered themselves strong and invincible. Why do they offer it now? Because they are convinced of their defeat. This is a signal victory for the Cuban army, since through force Spain concedes at present what she formerly refused to grant willingly."

"Spain desired to end the war in Cuba quickly, but she can only do so by acknowledging the independence of the island. Never before was Cuba so strong as she is now. Spain has never been so weak since the war began. It is ridiculous to ask the Cubans to give up when victory, final and decisive, is about to crown their efforts."

CONGRESSMAN BERREY

The Kentucky Statesman, Declares for Independence of Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Congressman A. S. Berry, of Covington, a friend of Cuba, says: "I shall vote for the independence of the island. I don't care a continental what the president says."

"My constituency favors the belligerency resolution, and so do I. Our consul reports 47,000 killed in Matanzas province alone, yet they say no war is there. It is a strange action on the part of the administration to try to smooth matters over when the people of the country and the senate express the wish to have belligerency recognized."

"People are starving on the streets. It should be stopped. Autonomy, the last resort, is not sincere. If accepted, when the Cubans lie down the Spaniards will drive them off the island or kill them, one by one."

Berry thinks Hawaii must go to the Americans of the Japanese, and should be annexed. He says Congress won't do much. He is afraid to tackle the money question, and can't attempt to increase revenue, which would admit the failure of the Dingley bill. He favors a voluntary bankrupt law, but not an involuntary one. He wants \$300,000 appropriated to build a new dam in the Big Sandy. The government should construct it like the Kentucky river, he says

SENATOR MORGAN

Says He Has No Faith in Spain's Scheme of Autonomy.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Senator Morgan, the author of the Cuban belliger-

ency joint resolution, which passed the Senate, has recommended the same to the House.

He said: "It is impossible for Spain to give or Cuba to accept autonomy on the basis which is said to be proposed. It is reconcilable with the Spanish constitution and theory of colonial government, and would only create constant friction. It is a 'tub to the whale.'

Senator Morgan said further: "My position on the Cuban question has often been misconstrued. In my course as to Cuba I am not animated by any feeling of dislike toward the Spanish race. It has tortured every one who came within its power when submission to its authority is the question, but that does not concern me as a senator."

"I do protest however, as a man, against the starvation of 500,000 people to sustain the divine right of a 12-year old boy, half Spanish and half Austrian, to rule the native people of a country 4,000 miles away; my motive has been to protect the lives and property of American citizens in Cuba."

"It appears that further delay will be attempted in the recognition of the existence of a war in Cuba, as the combination of monopoly and monarchy seems determined to carry out that policy. When the resolution, as to the existence of the war was introduced in the senate, there was an effort to delay it there, and when it went to the house, Mr. Reed simply locked the door and put the key in his pocket."

"The members submitted with as much grace as did our Thanksgiving turkey to the ax, and they seemed to welcome the fate of the turkeys, with pious resignation. The resolution is yet in the house, and I have no doubt the democratic members will insist upon its agitation; though some of the same men were as meek as to Cleveland's policy as are the Republicans now to that of Mr. Reed."

"There is no cause for a war with Spain in the recognition of the belligerency of the Cuban de facto Government. The recognition of the existence of public war in Cuba will probably enable the patriots to drive the Spanish from the island by cutting off their supplies of food, coal and munitions, and thus terminate the war."

"The support given to the Spanish policy of delay by certain influences in this country is, in my opinion, due chiefly to the speculations of certain capitalists, who are buying up the estates of the refugees at trifling prices, and desire to see the war keep up until they succeed in capturing everything available, when they will begin to openly assist whichever power seems likely to become dominant."

"As for myself, I concluded my duty when the joint resolution passed the senate, and I shall take no further step in the matter as it now stands. I believe it is the duty to declare that open, public war is flagrant in Cuba, according to the unquestionable truth of the situation; and, when we have done that, we can proceed honorably and in accordance with the laws of Nations to do whatever our national duty requires us to do. Until that is done we are acting a false and double part, which does not invite the honest respect of either Cuba or Spain."

PERMANENT SHOW

ORGANIZATION OF C. W. AND W. S. E. CO.

Company Organized to Maintain a Permanent Exhibition of Products in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The Chicago Western and Northwestern State Exhibition company today perfected its organization and elected officers as follows:

President—H. P. Wall.

Treasurer—John W. Buehler.

General Manager—J. Meredith Davies.

Mr. Wall is well known in connection with elevated railroad advertising.

John W. Buehler, the treasurer, is vice-president of the Garden City Trust company.

J. Meredith Davies, who has been elected manager, has been connected with western railroads for thirty years past, was general passenger agent of the North Missouri railroad, the Rockford, Rock Island & St. Louis railroad, and for many years general agent of one of the leading roads in California.

The objects of the company are to maintain in Chicago a permanent exhibition of the products of the western and northwestern states and territories, for the guidance and information of home-seekers and business men; to furnish information as to the cost of lands, of production, of transportation and the chances for business openings and investments, to aid and assist the several states and territories in securing immigration and the carrying out of enterprises for the development of material interests and to maintain exhibition rooms as headquarters for the citizens of the various states and territories when in Chicago. A commodious permanent exhibition headquarters is to be located in the heart of the city, on the Union Loop, adjacent to the leading wholesale and banking houses.

SELF-CONFESSED EMBEZZLER.

Boston, Dec. 7.—John J. Gartland, Jr., 26 years of age, state representative-elect from the Ninth district and treasurer of a local theater, was arrested today as a self-confessed embezzler of \$1,212, the property of Frank Dunn, proprietor of the theater. He says that he used the money for electioneering purposes.

RELIEVED OF HIS POST

St. Petersburg, Dec. 7.—Baron von Mohrenheim, the Russian ambassador to Paris, has been relieved of his post, but he remains a member of the council of the empire.

Perhaps the cause of the recall of

Baron von Mohrenheim may be found in the dispatch of the St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph, published on August 11, saying: "The diplomatic intrigue against the visit of President Faure to Emperor Nicholas will result, I understand, in the dismissal of Baron von Mohrenheim, Russian ambassador to France, and Count Lannes de Montebello, the French ambassador to Russia."

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ADOLPH L. LUETGERT

The Sausage Maker, Will be