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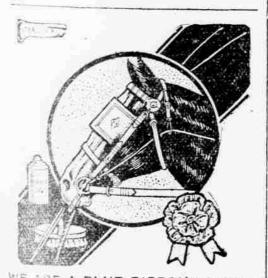
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# THE REAL GAME-

How many real prize fighters possess gameness? Very few of the latter day champions have been severely tested muce effices is at "Insurance in this respect. The once mighty John L. Sullivan, who held the heavyweight championship of America for twelve the name is to be"-asked the years, never received what might be minister as he approached the termed a hard gruelling in any of his with the precious armful of fat battles. Even in his bare knuckle fight of seventy-six rounds with Jake Kilrain Enstus Phillip Ferdinand Cod. at Richburg, Miss., he came out of the Chesterfield Livingston ring with few bruises that amounted to anything. Sullivan's hardest mill Turning to the sexton: was probably with Charley Mitchell, title more water, Mr. Hawkins, if in which John disabled his famous right arm in the early stages of the encounter, the injury being due to a heavy blow which landed on the Englishman's head. Sullivan has often declared that during the battle he suffer ed more pain in his arm and the cold rain which beat down steadily upon him than from any of the punches he received from his antagonist. Although this fight lasted thirty-nine rounds, or three hours and ten minutes, neither Sullivan nor Mitchell was seriously injured, both being up and doing the

This was not the case, however, with Heenan and Sayers when they met in a terrific fight for the world's championship at Farnborough, England, in 1860. They fought with bare knuckles and for forty-four rounds. They pounded each other unmercifully until the British mob at the ringside cut the ropes and compelled the referee to decide the battle a draw. Both pugilists were fearfully disfigured, both as to face and body, but each was game to the core, standing the severe test wit! remarkable fortitude. Sayers fought for two hours with a broken arm.

Another wonderful exhibition of pluck, nerve and stamina was that of Jonathan Smith and James (Australian) Kelley, who took part in the long est bare knuckle fight under London rules on record. For six hours and fifteen minutes they smashed each other without mercy at Melbourne in 1865. When the battle ended, both men had to be carried from the ring in a helpless condition. Neither could see, fering internally.

roud of the fact that he never rein the ring. For that matter, Kid Mc-Ryan, Dominick McCaffrey, Bob Fitzsimmons, Young Griffo, Billy Myer, Abe Attell and Terry McGovern neither had their beauty spoiled nor got

ited courage. Frequently when weak and exhausted in a contest with a heavier and more powerful antagonist, and his backers ready to throw the sponge, Demosev continued to fight iphill with the pluck of a bull dog unil the other fellow had enough. When Fitzsimmons hammered poor Dempsey all over the ring at New Orleans in 1891, Jack's seconds begged to be allowed to throw up the sponge. Even Fitz said in the middle of a round:

"I don't want to punish you any more, Jack! Give it up. You haven't got a chance!" But Dempsey did not know the mean ing of the word "quit" and replied:

"Not on your life! You'll have to knock me out before I stop!" So the lanky Cornishman proceeded to put the game fellow to sleep in the

fourte∈nth round When Jack McAuliffe fought Jem

Carney, of England, at Aevere Beach, near Boston, he was very ill. His back rs wanted to forfeit, but McAuliffe re fused to listen to them and insisted upon taking a chance to save their money. It was a long gruelling fight of seventy-five rounds, with odds greatly against the American champion, who suffered agony during the four hours and fifty-eight minutes that he was in the ring, but he never showed the slightest inclination to stop. Finally the New York gang broke into the ring and Frank Stevenson declared the fight a draw. For years afterward McAuliffe tried to induce Carney to meet him either here or in England, but the Britisher, who was one of the pluckiest fighters that ever lived positively refused all propositions, so that McAuliffe was unable to prove which

Tommy Ryan, the retiring middle weight champion, was another wonder ful fighter with a word of gameness. In 1891 he took part in one of the hardest battles in ring history when h Everything for his toilet, too. Cur: went twenty-six rounds with Danny brushes, harness dressing, Needham at Minneapolis. His remark-When you come to examine able courage was also shown in five first probably be surprised at the terrific mills with Mysterious Billy good quality of everything we Smith, while the same quality was dis-You'll be still more surprised played when Ryan was unexpectedly extreme moderation of our beaten by his pupil, Kid McCoy, at Maspeth. McCov made Ryan believe that the match would be a fake. Ryan as a result did not train properly while McCoy got into the ring fit to fight for his life. Ryan discovered the trick as soon as he put up his hands, but it was too late to quit so he took a fearful beating for eighteen rounds and was literally cut into ribbons. It was ecause of a great loss of blood and complete exhaustion that Ryan sank helplessly to the floor, one of the worst

> It was the phenomenal grit of George (Kid) Lavigne that enabled him to beat Hyer by a tough named Turner and the Giant Killer, Walcott, in the most others. Hyer was game enough, howsensational ring battle on record. They ever, to clean out the whole mob, even resper Roanoke to Philadel- met at Maspeth in a fifteen round bout, though he received a slight wound in with the condition that Walcott had to the ribs. al trains leave Winston-Sa- weigh 133 pounds ringside and also had re thinking of taking a trip do knock Lavigne out to win. It was a date in New York. There are very duplations, cheapest fares, wicked fight from the start and Lafew good offhand scrappers now as correct information, as to vigne took such a lacing in the first compared with the days of thirty years schedules, the most com-quickest way. Write and ion is yours for the askthe of our complete Map nose and was actually bathed in blood. the peer of rough and tumble fighters Many short haired experts were so in the middle west. Bradburn gained M. F. Bragg, Shocked that they wanted the referee a lasting reputation in the Chicago stock Pass. Agt to stop the slaughter, but Lavigne soon stock yards, where he once received

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said with a sneer:

nurt you. I'll be enough." gang, while Poole on the contrtry, in-Morrissey any harm. Whatever really for twenty minutes, Morrissey said that he had had enough and was allowed to go home, practically beaten to a pulp. But Poole was also a fit subject for hospital treatment. This unmanly contest however proved that both men were game, but it caused much ill feeling. Poole was finally murdered y Dave Baker, Paudeen, Dad Cunningham, Ed Turner and others, who had large your pictures instead of sending been run out of California by the vigi-

lance committee. Previous to the killing of Poole, Tom Hyer had agreed to a battle with Mor rissey at a well known sporting resort on the outskirts of New York city, but on arriving there Hyer offered Morrissey the choice of pistols. But the latter declined, saying that he wanted to fight with nature's weapons-his fists. It was a fiasco, all right, and it was also the cause of an attempt to murder and Throat. 221 South Tryon St.

Rough and tumble fighting is out of

ed such a beating that Walcott groggy outside of the ring and has never sufand bleeding, wanted to quit in the fered defeat, although there have been fifteenth round and would have done times when but for his dead game so had it not been for the threats from make-up he would probably have been

James J. Corbett has always been ey for those who had nerve enough to the best rough and tumble artist in New York city. He is a very peacefu Of all the men who have figured citizen until aroused, when he becomes conspicuously in the ring not one ever a most dangerous opponent. Carroll possessed more courage and endurance in his ring carrier was not only a clever than John Morrissey. When a very boxer, but also a finished wrestler young man Morrissey came down from qualities that serve, him in good stead his home in Troy one day and visited when rough house tactics become neca saloon on Centre street where Col. essary. Like his friend Bradburn, Car Rynders, Dutch Charley and other roll is known as a dead game one rough and tumble fighters held forth. Noted New Yorkers of this type who Morrissey after a few drinks declared have passed away or are out of such that he could lick any man in the business were Dick Croker, former crowd. He was "double banked" then | bess of Tammany Hall; Awful Gard and there but he made such a deter- ner, Tim Campbell, Phil Lynch, John mined stand against his antagonist that Flood, who fought John L. in the ring: he was sent to the hospital. Izzy Laz- Kit Burns, Owney Geoghegan, Jimm; arus, a competent judge of fighting Elliot, who was killed by Jere Dunn, it men who saw the battle royal declared Chicago; Billy O'Brien, Jim Glass there wasn't a man in all New York Crow Murray, Phil Clare, Billy Dwy who single-handed could whip Morris- er, Alec Brown, Liney Tracey, Pat sey with a hickory stick in half an sey Marley, Joe Cobburn, Arthur Mullen, Butt Riley, Con Orem, Dan Kerri-A few years after this row Morris gan, Rockey Moore, Bill Clarke, Reddy

> The pluckiest men in the ring have not always been the champions. Fiddle came together. Among the Hyer gang | Neary, who died in Newark a couple was Bill Poole, who enjoyed the repulof years ago, could stand the gaff with anybody, although he never got into cumble fighter in America. In fact the championship class. He could take Poole was the leader of the Hyer mob or give a beating with as much grace and did not overlook a chance to taunt and ease as a king drinks a glass of and sneer at Morrissey. Some time wine. Night after night, in all sorts after the battle Poole and Morrissey of weather, the game Fiddler practiaccidentally met in a sporting saloon cally fought his way homeward. He and after a heated argument they usually started about 9 o'clock at Haragreed to fight it out, rough and tum- ry Hill's old sporting resort, where he ble, at 7 o'clock the next morning on met two or three in his class-er out the dock at the foot of Amos street. of it-and after receiving a good punch-When Morrissey appeared at the scene ing he would take up a collection some of action he was attended by a soli- times to the extent of two or three tary friend, while Poole had about fifty | dollars. Then he would go to Owner of his gang along. Morrissey natural- Geoghegan's boxing resort on the Bow ly objected to their presence, but Poole ery, where he would repeat the per formance. After that the Fiddler went "Oh, never mind them! They won't to Billy McGlory's dance hall, where ha met all comers. By that time the night Then stripping to the belt they faced was gone and Neary hustled across to each other to do battle. Morrissey Brooklyn, having taken part in nearly quickley planted has left in Poole's a dozen fights. If he happened to be eye. Like a flash Poole stooped and knocked out in any of these little tilts catching Morrisey by the heels he pull- he simply waited until he could ge ed the latter's legs from under him. his bearings again and was then ready What followed has always been the to go cn. He was a happy go lucky basis for a dispute. Morrissey always fellow who cared nothing for hard that Poole was well assisted by his knocks. The Fiddler was as game as any fighting man, even though he did sisted that nobody but himself did not battle for a championship. Even on his death bed the old fellow was happened, the fact remains that after imbued with the same characteristic, snuffed the Fiddler whispered to the Tires.

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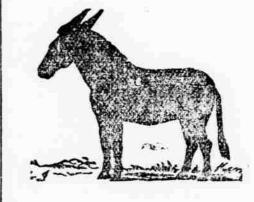
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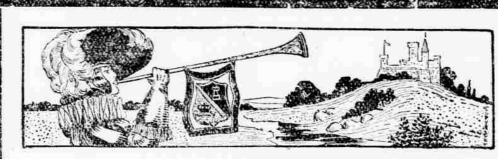
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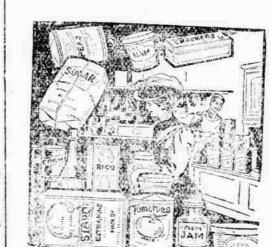
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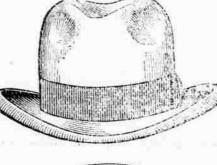
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