

PUGILIST BOWEN KILLED.

PUNCHED TO DEATH IN THE PRIZE RING.

LAVIGNE'S BLOWS WERE FATAL.

The Fight Was a Most Desperate One, in Which Lavigne Had All the Best of It—Repeatedly Struck His Adversary Over the Heart—Held in Default of \$10,000 Bail.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 17.—Andy Bowen, the lightweight champion pugilist of the South, died at 7 o'clock this morning from the effects of the punishment received in his fight with George Lavigne of Saginaw, Mich., before the Auditorium Athletic club last night. The fight was a most desperate one, in which Lavigne had all the best of it after the first round and made a chopping block out of the game but out-classed Crescent city fighter.

The knockout blow was delivered in the eighteenth round when Lavigne planted his left heavily over Bowen's heart and crossed savagely with his right, landed a terrific blow on the angle of the jaw. Bowen fell back like a felled tree and his head struck the floor heavily. Lavigne walked to his corner, while Referee Duffy counted to ten seconds.

The beaten man was picked up limp and to all appearances lifeless, by his handlers and carried to his dressing room. He remained unconscious from the time he received the blow and was conveyed from his dressing room at the club to his home on Thalia street near Magazine.

The scene at the house this morning was a most pathetic one. Dr. Ed. Martin was called in at an early hour and did all that human skill could do to save the life that hung in the balance, but to no avail.

The mother of the pugilist, when he was carried into the house, predicted that he would never recover, while his young wife grew hysterical in her agony. They sat beside the unconscious man and wept and prayed as only women can, but of no avail. His eyes had looked on them for the last time and he never opened his lips.

At 5 o'clock Dr. Finney thought Bowen had improved and at that hour he did not think that the fight would have a fatal termination. In reply to a request from the chief of police, Dr. Finney sent a certificate saying that Bowen was better. It was a message of relief to Lavigne and Duffy and the seconds, who had been arrested when Bowen's condition became alarming.

The doctor remained with Bowen to the end. Just as the hands of the clock were nearing 7 Mrs. Bowen leaned over the bed and said: "Oh, Andy, say something to me." Andy shivered and groaned, his frame shook and then, without ever having come back to consciousness after Lavigne had landed, he breathed his last.

LAVIGNE UNDER ARREST. The news of Bowen's death was made known to Lavigne and his party shortly after it had been communicated by telephone to the central station. Lavigne had been detained at the station with his seconds and attendants all night and he slept but little, being anxious every moment to get tidings from the bedside of the wounded pugilist.

Lavigne, when he heard of Bowen's death, expressed his profound sympathy for Bowen's wife.

In answer to a question he said that he did not feel that he had been the direct cause of the death of the pugilist; in other words, the blow which he delivered on the jaw of the dead man, he did not consider, had been sufficiently forcible to have carried with it fatal consequences. He said he believed that when Bowen fell that his head had struck the pine flooring and that the concussion had been the cause of his death. He was not only sorry for Bowen's death, but he was in much apprehension as to what would become of himself in connection with the fight and how long it was likely that he would be kept in prison.

Friends assured him that he would probably have no difficulty in obtaining his release after the usual formalities of the law had been complied with and that he need have no fear of lack of friends and influence to help him out of his unfortunate dilemma.

Lavigne was admitted to bail in the sum of \$10,000, the others \$5,000. Duffy, the referee, and Spitzfaden were the only ones to furnish bond.

Spain Raises Its Wool Duties.

MADRID, Dec. 17.—The chamber of deputies has adopted a motion to raise the import duty on wool, the vote standing 82 in favor to 30 against. When the result of the vote was known the minister of finance, Senor Salvador, announced his resignation. The Conservatives then left the chamber and the Liberals threatened to do likewise. Finally the president gave the preference to a motion to suspend the tariff debate pending the appointment of a new minister of finance.

THE YELLOW EAGLES.

The Gold Reserve is Being Depleted at a Very Rapid Rate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The gold reserve yesterday took another downward plunge by the withdrawal of \$4,875,000, leaving the net reserve at the close of business \$96,341,834, or \$3,658,116 below the \$100,000,000 limit. Of this amount withdrawn, \$4,550,000 went from the sub-treasury at New York and \$325,000 from Boston.

Van Leuven Found Guilty.

DUBUQUE, Iowa, Dec. 17.—After an hour's deliberation the jury in the case against Pension Agent Van Leuven for conspiracy with John Rankin to bribe the Cresco board of examining surgeons returned a verdict of guilty.

DUN'S BUSINESS REVIEW.

Pay Rolls for November Show an Increase of Earnings of 15 Per Cent.

New York, Dec. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Dun's review is enabled, by the kindness of several thousand manufacturers who have forwarded statements of their pay rolls of November, this year, in 1893 and in 1892, to make a very encouraging comparison of earnings for that month, which shows an increase in total payments of 15.3 per cent over last year, but a decrease of 18.3 per cent in comparison with 1892.

A statement of hands employed shows that in the same establishments 10.3 per cent more persons were employed than a year ago, but 8.6 per cent less than 1892. The average of earnings for over 250,000 hands is 4 per cent larger than in 1893, but 13.5 per cent less than in 1892, and this statement takes no account of hours of work in the months compared, or of the establishments now working at all this year. In some of the industries more hands are at work than in 1892, but in others the decrease is large. Contradictory changes in business are quite in order at this season. Neither the larger orders in some branches nor the depression of prices in others afford a safe indication of the general movement. But the working force does not lessen more than usual for the time of a year and the demand for goods does not seem to diminish, though in some departments it is considerably below the capacity of works in operation and the volume of business transacted is a little larger in comparison with last year than in November.

The speculative markets have advanced a little, through reasons hard to find. What is unchanged in price, although Western receipts are as large as they were last year and Atlantic exports are \$31,205 bushels, against 1,029,000 a year ago. Corn is a fraction weaker without any important change in movement though the receipts continue remarkably large. The heavy receipts of cotton have broken down the price to \$5.75 in spite of a strong speculative interest looking for some recovery from the lowest point on record.

HER LOVE HAS COOLED.

Mrs. Brandt, Who Elopéd With French-er Haney, Leaves Him in Anger.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—A morning paper says that the Rev. Conrad Haney of the Lake Avenue church, who deserted his wife and children and fled with Mrs. George W. Brandt, has in turn been deserted by the woman, the pair separating in Cincinnati after a stormy interview between the guilty couple and Mr. Huttig of Muscatine, a brother of Mrs. Brandt. The paper continues: "Mrs. Brandt returned to Chicago last Thursday night for a final leave taking of her children and last night left the city alone. She was accompanied to the train by Mr. Brandt, who purchased her a ticket to an Eastern seaport, from where, it is said, she will take a steamer to Europe. Those who saw the parting say it was a tearless one."

Where Mr. Haney has gone is beyond the knowledge of his friends in this city.

Experimental Agricultural Stations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Acting Secretary of the Interior Sims has approved a report of the commissioner of education favoring resolutions recently adopted by the association of American agricultural colleges and experiment stations. He thinks the appropriation by congress of \$6,000 a year for the purpose, as recommended by the report, would prove of inestimable advantage to the cause of agricultural and mechanical schools.

Mr. Harrison Will Not Run Again.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Colonel D. S. Alexander, who was United States district attorney for Northern New York under President Harrison, returned from the West yesterday. He stopped for two days in Indianapolis and spent some time with ex-President Harrison. He said that General Harrison assured him that under no circumstances would he be a candidate for the presidency again.

Cook Outlaws Safe in Prison.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 17.—United States Marshal Crump of Arkansas and deputies arrived last night with the thirty-two Federal prisoners from Arkansas and the Indian territory who were recently sentenced to various long terms in the Detroit house of correction. Three of the prisoners are ex-members of the Cook gang.

Pawnbrokers Deceived.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 17.—The man known as J. M. Black of Atchison, Kas., who defrauded Kansas City pawnbrokers with a duplicated watch, worked the same trick on a number of St. Joseph pawnbrokers, secured several hundred dollars and then disappeared.

Socialists Protected.

BERLIN, Dec. 17.—The Reichstag, by a vote of 168 to 58, adopted the report of the committee which recommended that permission be not granted to the public prosecutor to take action against the Socialist members who refused to rise and cheer for the emperor.

Utes Agree to Leave Utah.

MONTICELLO, Utah, Dec. 17.—The Ute Indians agreed yesterday to move out of Utah at once. As soon as the conclusion was reached signal fires were seen from some of the adjoining mountains. The people are well satisfied and feel secure.

All Released.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 17.—This afternoon all the participants in the Bowen-Lavigne fight were released on bail, after they had spent some hours in jail.

A Denver Millionaire at Rest.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 17.—Dr. Oscar Cass, a millionaire, died yesterday, aged 71 years.

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