

WANT TO MATCH BIG ONES

Promoters Trying to Get Langford and Gunboat Smith to Fight.

SAM IN POOR SHAPE RIGHT NOW

Negro Heavyweight Has Taken on Flesh Which Seems Pretty Hard to Get Rid Of—It May Be Permanent.

By W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 8.—Judging from the way promoters in various public pugilistic centers are reacting for a Sam Langford-Gunboat Smith match, it would appear as though a bout between the fighters named is looked upon as the next best to heavyweight pugilism.

From what the writer reads about the latter bout he is satisfied that the majority of the eastern sporting writers thought another Smith-Morris tilt should be arranged in order to settle the question of their superiority.

Just at present Langford's condition is such that he is far from being a fit subject for a championship contest. He is so gross in fact that after he has exercised himself for a few rounds on a boxing platform he seems to puff out like a frog in the fall and he cuts a ridiculous figure.

There comes a time in the experience of all athletes when the flesh which accumulates is there to stay and it is beginning to look as though Langford had reached that stage.

When he was turned up a bit his middle folded over his waist hands, the way a fat man's neck encroaches on the rim of his collar. Sam evidently knew that he was not equipped for a long journey for he was notably saving in the matter of leg exertion.

Now the writer does not insist that it will be impossible for Langford to rid himself of his surplus adipose, but I am of the belief that it would take at least three months to strip Langford's frame to athletic proportions and render him clear piped.

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FIRST OF FINAL CHAMP GAMES

Next Saturday Marks the Beginning of Last Battles for Honors.

PICKS PREMIER OF BIG SIX

Leading American Colleges Will Fight to a Finish to Achieve the Highest Gridiron Laurels in Country.

By TOM THORP.

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Saturday next marks the first of the final championship football games of the season of 1913.

The victors in the contests will be in direct line for the premier honors of the year. The teams that find themselves in the short side of the scores will be eliminated from further consideration relative to the major honors.

All of the contests scheduled to take place are sure to prove crucial tests and the victors will deserve all of the spoils.

Not Far Apart.

At the quarterback position the Tigers in "Buck" Baker and Emmons look to have the ball on anything that the Blue team coaches can possibly send upon the field.

In Cornish, the New Haven coaches will start a man who lacks a little of that confidence so necessary for quick judgment in the individual line.

In Hammond, Shea, Lambertson and Brown, the Orange and Black have a quartet that has not displayed any too much ability to keep their opponents from scoring.

In the rush line both colleges are equipped with the best material that they have had in quite some time.

Sempson, Phillips and Ballin are a trio of tackles that any team would be glad to possess.

At the pivot position Eddie Trencman should prove a revelation. This man played at tackle last year, but the Tiger coaches in endeavoring to strengthen their center have decided to start him at center.

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come back with the scalps of their opponents they certainly ought to be able to show up something about the old leather egg game.

The line up is as follows: MONMOUTH, EXCELSIORS, LINDEMEYER, GOLDEN, WENDENHOF, CARLSON, KEENEY, WILLIAMS, GOLDEN, HUBBARD, GUNBOAT, SMITH.

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probably get the paraphernalia for what is now known as the Superiors.

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GAME COSTS MANY INJURIES

Many Local Gridiron Players Have Been Badly Hurt.

SOME TEAMS STILL IN THE RING

Big Contests Will Be Staged This Afternoon at Bourke's Park Between Evenly Matched Squads.

By FRANK QUIGLEY.

Cripples come to pop up at every turn of the road and in this respect to date this season, on the local gridiron, takes the cake without any competition.

Out at Thirty-second street and Dewey avenue the Defenders and the Fontenelles will clash this afternoon at three bells.

Herewith are the players the Joe Smiths will utilize this day: Miller, Chet Dudley, the Dartmouth star; H. Larsen, E. Larsen, Healer, Storm, B. Steffen, C. Steffen, Hubbard, Fishburne, Landon and Grestler.

It looks like the Spauldings are the best bet in Class B circles. You can't keep those Fontenelles down, they are now stepping rather fast.

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Dartmouth in Line

Dartmouth, because of its well earned victory over Princeton, is to be taken into consideration for the premier honors of the season.

In Welch, Guyon, Bracklin and Calao the Indians are equipped with a backfield that comes close to Harvard's sensational combination.

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Schoolmasters Who Know the Gridiron Game

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Honolulu Swimmer Decides to Market Sprinting Ability

NEW YORK, Nov. 8.—Advices from Honolulu leave no doubt that Duke Kahanamoku, the fastest swimming sprinter in the world, has made up his mind to give up his amateur standing and put his wonderful speed on the market.

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