JACKSON A PERFECT BOXER

Big Black Peter Best Australia Has Sent Over Here.

SOME EXAMPLES OF HIS WORK

Bill Naughton Tells Why He Holds that Jackson Had Something on All the Other Antipodeans.

By W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 12 -A correspondent wants to know who, in the writer's opinion was the "most perfect boxer" of all the Australian ring men who came to America in the 80s and 90s And while I think of it I might remark, 'correspondent" is asking me to fill a pratty large question.

In the communication embodying the query, the gentleman says;

"I am a close reader of all that is printed in regard to ring happenings and have noticed that quite often when cussions about comparative cleverness of latter-day boxers and former pugilists are in order, some critic will make reference to the marvelous Griffo, as if he were the standard by which all that is elever in the glove game is reckoned have a friend who says that Griffo was simply a trick boxer, and that for uneful cleverness he could not compare with George Dawson, Peter Jackson or Jim Hail, who were also Attatralians. What is your opinion on this? Who do you think was the most perfect boxer of all the Australians who came here

Young Griffo's Cleverness.

In regard to Griffo I can only may that did not have an opportunity of judging the young man's merits when he was at his best. I did not are him in action until he had passed his heydey, and then only once or twice in events for which he had no training and seemed little concerned as to which way the decision

lie had degenerated into a Queensberry claws at the time of which I speak and was more fired with the ambition to make the spectators laugh than anything e'sc. He retained sufficient of his handinezs with the gloves to make things in te eming for his opponents, but his blows were of the mushy order and his defense not nearly so complete us it had een in former years.

Whatever he might have been earlier his career, Griffo was certainly more a trick performer or juggler when I saw him. So far as Griffo may figure in discussion of this kind I would prefer to pass the question on to other critics who had opportunities of making com sar sons between Griffo and other Austrailans when Griffo was at his best.

Australia sent us some exceedingly clever ringmen and now, with my experimoes and recollections mellowed by lears. I have no hesitation in saying that Peter Jackson was the "most perfect of all the Antipodeans I have

George Dawson had ideas of his own and did not hew to the lines of the Mace ideals of boxing. Judged by what he accomplished in the ring, he carned the right to be described as clever, but he was far from being as well balanced a

lever, baving the fine points of the game duo of diamond stars. their command to a degree which made them appear graceful in action. Among these Jim Hall was prominent, and Steve O'Donnell was another; George McKensie, a lightweight, was a very talented glove wielder, and that scamp, Seorge Mulholland, could make almost any man who opposed him look foolish. Fitzons boxed cleverly when he first came across, but when he began to study anatomy and devise knockout punches, he sacrificed art to utility.

Understood the Game.

Peter Jackson was the most talented exponent of the Mace school of boxing the writer ever came across. He knew how to lead and counter, and time and sure, and his footwork always shymed with his fist play. He could duck, snap back and sidestep in a bewildering way and he appeared to be always within range so far as his own attack was conversary tried retaliation.

I remembered Jackson's first match at the old California Athletic club in San Francisco back in 1888. His opponent was George Godfrey, the Boston colored heavyweight, who, on account of his pdurance, was known as 'Old Irons'des." will never forget the pained look which came over Godfrey's face when he first ean foul of the Jackson straight left. Peter, who seemed to have an arm as long as an oar picked Godfrey off his feet with a lunging blow and placed him belligerency toward certain formen of en his hunkers on the floor. Godfrey had the National league, has been forced, of proved himself a game fellow in man; hard fights, but as he sat there that night with the henchmen of his own domain. the expression on his countenance was one of mingled surprise and discourage-

A little later in the evening George. Sght and with glazing eyes and quivering dbs he feebly held a hand aloft and schnowledge defeat.

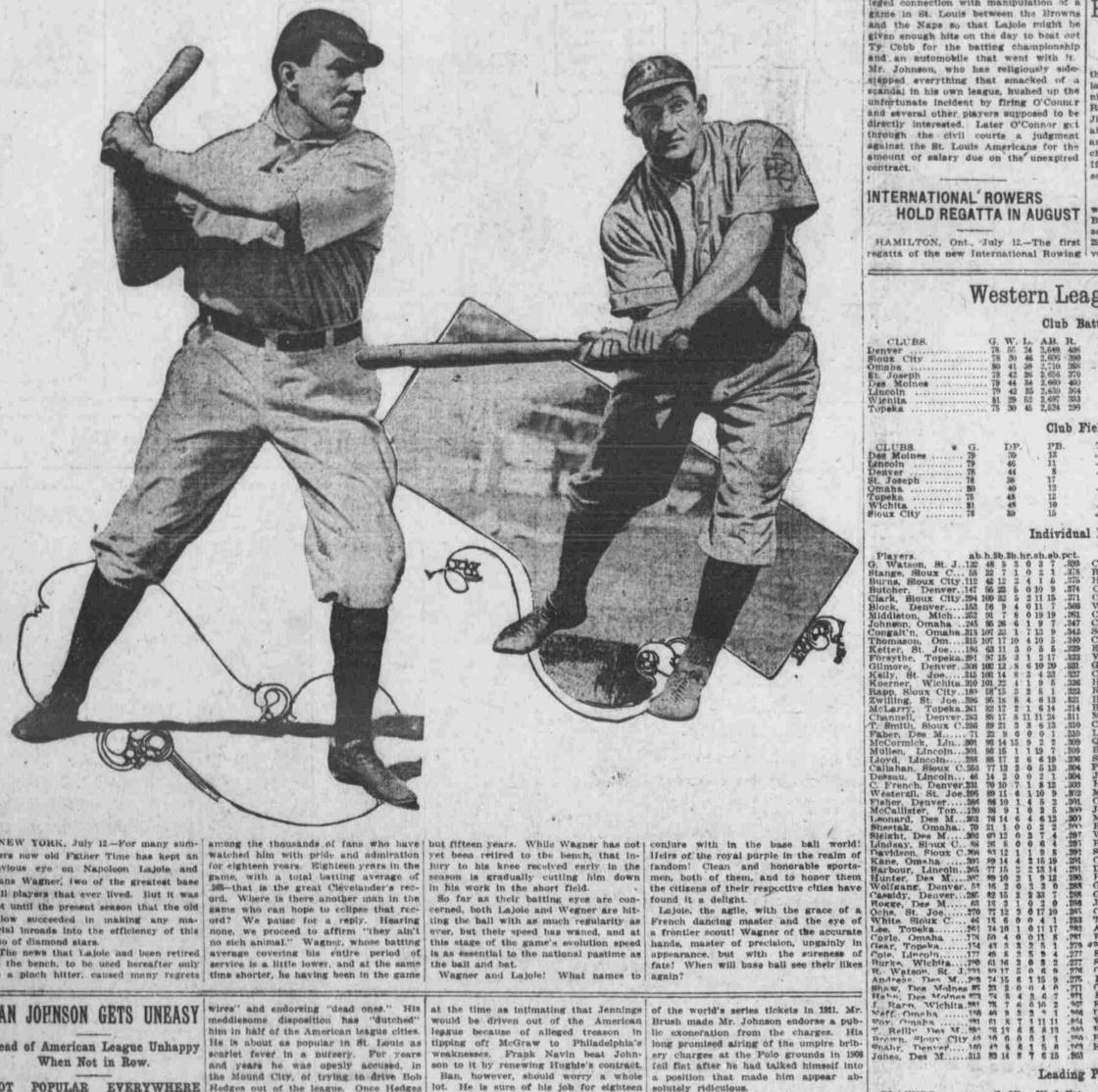
One Example of Work.

After that poor Joe was cut down flowly and scientifically. He was too big to and Jackson whipped him artistically and came out of the melee without a scratch. I am wandering away from the point, however, and Illustrating how dangerous it is for old time crittes to reminisce. In answer to my correspondent I will simply repeat that Pter Jackson was the "most perfect boxer" of all the Augrallans I had opportunity of studying.

Stagg Announces Foot Ball Schedule

concrete grandstand will be dedicated at Singenest Field on October &

Lajoie and Wagner, Who Are Failing at Last



NEW YORK, July 12-For many sum- among the thousands of fans who have | but fifteen years. While Wagner has not | conjure with in the base ball world! mers now old Father Time has kept an watched him with pride and admiration yet been retired to the beach, that in- Heirs of the royal purple in the realm of envious eye on Napoleon Lajole and for eighteen years. Eighteen years in the jury to his knee received early in the fandom! Clean and honorable sports-Hans Wagner, two of the greatest base game, with a total barting average of season is gradually cutting him down men, both of them, and to honor them Mans Wagner, two of the greatest base ball players that ever lived. But it was ord. Where is there another man in the So far as their batting eyes are confound it a delight. not until the present season that the old game who can hope to college that rec- cerned, both Lajoic and Wegner are hitplece of fighting machinery as Jackson, fellow succeeded in making any ma- ord? We pause for a reply. Hearing ting the ball with as much regularity as French dancing master and the eye of Many of the Australians were existently terial inroads into the efficiency of this none, we proceed to affirm "they ain't ever, but their speed has waned, and at a frontier scout! Wagner of the accurate due of diamond stars.

The news that Lajoic and been retired average covering his entire period of is as essential to the national pastime as appearance, but with the sureness of to the bench, to be used hereafter only service is a little lower, and at the same the ball and bat.

In o sich animal." Wagner, whose batting this stage of the game's evolution speed hands, master of precision, upgainly in appearance, but with the sureness of the bench, to be used hereafter only service is a little lower, and at the same the ball and bat.

as a pinch hitter, caused many regrets time shorter, he having been in the game | Wagner and Lajole! What names to again?

Head of American League Unhappy When Not in Row.

Some Mistakes He Has Made and Some of the Places Where He is No Longer the Pet Visttor.

NEW YORK, July 12.-Ban Johnson used to be a real Moses to his American league children. He led them out of the wilderness of the war days into an area of financial milk and honey. But, like the colebrated duke of York, with his storied 19,000 men, having marched his forces up the hill, the big czar gives evidence of intention to march them down again. The green pastures of the promined land have fulled to satisfy. Ban hungers once more for the wilderness. Mighty in war, the American league executive chafes under the monotony of peace. His restless soul, thwarted in its occasion, to seek a vent in interference Jumps Joe Birmingham.

a number of rounds Jackson prodded the second division aggregation. His club pennant clinched by July 4. clant with straight lefts and kept his was very much in evidence as a potent own head bobbing to escape McAuliffe's factor of the struggle. His club was showlumbering back fire. Then Jackson ing such results as no former Cleveland sharp spat followed by a trickle of ment to his attack on Birmingham. Mr. Stallings, however, onue back like a blood from big Joe's ear, showed that Johnson simply raised against the popu- boomerang as manager of the Boston

making good in its opinion. in such emphatic disapproval of Birm- Of course Ban Johnson has to share the ingham. However that may be, it is blame. CHICAGO, July 12.—Coach Stage of the guite certain now that Ban Junneun and Detruit Atan Sourced.

Entropy of Chicago has announced his not Joe Birmingham will be held responsible for the short-comings of Cleve-blaness team will play seven sames, four land if the inside bickerings develop into nings. Johnson rebuked Jennings for of them in Chicago. The new \$100,000 open club warfars in the Forest City. his friendliness toward McGraw during

BAN JOHNSON GETS UNEASY wires" and endorsing "dead ones." His at the time as intimating that Jennings of the world's series tickets in 1911. Mr. NOT POPULAR EVERYWHERE Hedges out of the league. Once Hedges lot. He is sure of his job for eighteen solutely ridiculous. pective buyers failed to make good the to the original ownership. Han at the time took no pains to conceal his disapbold enough to accuse Johnson of entertaining kindred designs upon Frank Farrell's property. Charlte Comiskey, mouthpiece of Johnson-or the other way, if club presidents, however, seems to have one is pinned down to sheer truth-declared a few months ago that within five the last few years. On a number of years every American league club would be owned by old-time base ball players. Straws indeed that indicates a wind from a dangerous quarter for those mildonaires of the Ynwkey-Somers-Farrell type whose financial influence forced recognition of equality from the National league in Johnson's scheme of expansion.

New York has as little reason as Boston, St. Louis, Cleveland or Detroit to worship at the shrine of Big Ben. Enough sterling players have been lost to the York club's alleged manipulation of sales for \$50,600 damages brought by Jack Highlanders through the alleged advice of the league executive to form two or three world's championship aggrega-The latest outburst of the American tions. By forcing Jake Stahl onto Clark league autocrat was directed against Griffith in 1908, Johnson not only made received a heart punch from Jackson's Joe Birmingham, manager of the Cleve- the "Old Fox" a laughing stock of both land club. Mr. Johnson intimated that in big leagues, but further effected his rehis opinion Birmingham was no fit per- tirement in disgrace at midseason. Jake son to be in charge of an American league as an outfielder was very much to the club. Whatever prompted the attack, it bush, even though his three years' conappeared very ill-timed. In the few tract called for \$5,000 a season. The Jackson's accurate knowledge of tim- short months he had been in charge of explosion of the "Born Manager" carng was shown in his battle with Big the Naps, Birmingham had fashioned a ried down in its ruin a club that in the Joe McAuliffe, the Mission Giant. For pennant contender from an habitual first few weeks threatened to have the

Stallings is Even. After the darkest days of the Griffith beined McAuliffe into leading with the manager had shown in fifteen years. lowed his personal animosity to land a art. Joe straightened his arm and Jack- And as the public, after all, pays its second knockout blow to New York's on threw his head aside and allowed good money in expectation of patronts- hope of salvation. He chased George the blow to pass over his shoulder. White ing and propitiating results, Mr. John- Stallings, who had built a tailender into olug so he brought his right across and son aroused no loud hurrans of endorse- a pennant possibility in two short years. the giant had been effectively and larity of his own bullwich the resent. Nationals this year. He has robbed ment of one more city.

Cleveland fandom is not likely quietly to brook the official interference of even the mighty Johnson with a man who is making good in its opinion.

Birmingham unfortunately had troubles of his own at the time: internal dissense that could be best struightened out. the mighty Johnson with a man who is of the two big leagues at the opening of tions that could be best straightened out start. But public prejudice was instilled in the club house. The great Napoleon during the world's series last fall when Lajoie objected to club discipline, when on the last day no provision of accomhis manager thought it to the best in-terests of all to give the mighty French-of loyal Red Sox rooters who had acman a rest. Lajole went over Birming- companied the team to and fro between ham's head with a direct appeal to Presi- the Hub and New York for each game. dent Charles Somers. Perhaps it was Robert McRoy for many years Johnson's with the idea of throwing out a hint to private secretary and who is now alleged the boss as to his personal views of the to represent some Johnson interest in matter that Johnson expressed himself Boston was responsible for the "bone."

> For some reason Mr. Johnson appears 'the world's series between the Glants to have a penchant for picking onto "live and Athletics in 18tl. Bun was quoted

actually negotiated a sale. But the pros- more years on a term of election for There is no doubt that Mr. Johnson twenty seasons. He is supposed to get has been a great factor toward putting first payment and the Browns reverted \$25,000 a year, but many think that part organized base ball on a sound and unof it is a press agent story. It is quite impeachable footing. For that he detrue, however, that he will never have serves due credit. He has also sucpointment. There are those in New York to carry a hod so long as organized ceeded at last in impressing upon base ball endures.

Change in Apparent. undergone somewhat of a change within

Charile Murphy the objection to loose talk. Ban could do no better than to The sentiment of the American league adopt the same sort of policy that was crammed down Murphy's throat.

Over in the west, where the American occasions they have actually allenced league is very weak, and where Ban is Ban when he has prepared to rip or- correspondingly unpopular, a new league. ganized base ball, as typified by his independent of organized base ball law, formen of the National league, right up has sprung into existence. It does well the back. Twice he claimed he had C. in its struggling way; certainly it has Murphy at the brink of the chute held from the start the support of the for the "Down and Out" club, but his press, which is no mean attribute to fiown supporters silenced his guns be- nal success. And in the meantime will cause of apprehnsion that a scandal be threshed out in a Missouri law court might affect the whole organization. He the question of whether organized base was also going to make John T. Brush ball as now constituted is indeed a jump through a knothole for the New "trust" The test case arises from a suit

American League Averages

Club Batting. Club Fielding. Individual Batting.

Leading Pitchers.

O'Connor, former manager of the St. now manager in the Federal league, was affair is August 16. arbitrarily dismissed by sohnson for alsame in St. Louis between the Browns and the Nape so that Lajoie might be given enough hits on the day to bout out Ty Cobb for the batting championship and an automobile that went with it. Mr. Johnson, who has religiously sidestepped everything that smacked of a scandal in his own league, hushed up the unfortunate incident by firing O'Countr and several other players supposed to be directly interested. Later O'Connor gct through the civil courts a judgment against the St. Louis Americans for the amount of salary due on the unexpired

INTERNATIONAL' ROWERS **HOLD REGATTA IN AUGUST**

CLUBS

Association of Canada will be held in Louis Browns in which Johnson and all connection with Hamilton's centennial eight American league presidents are celebration and will rival the Canadian named as defendants. O'Connor, who is Henley. The date selected for the big

is Sure to Fall

Who would pick Boston as the team that beat the Giants for the world's flag last fait? If management makes a winning team, what is the matter with the Red Sox, led by such astute veterans as Jimmy McAleer and Jake Stahi? But, ah they do say these two giants of old are at lagerheads, which seems to be the chief difficulty within the whole team. If so, no wonder it is trailing along in second division.

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