

PUG CHAMPS PRETTY SECURE

With Ritchie Out of Way They Are Not Likely to Be Disturbed.

LIGHTWEIGHT CLASS IS BUSY

Most Promising of All is Young Shugrue, While All of the Rest Are Showing Up in Their Usual Form.

NEW YORK, July 19.—Now that White Ritchie has taken a secure grip on the lightweight title there does not appear to be much chance of any of the present champions being displaced for some time to come.

Bantam Champion Coulton is in the most apparent danger of being ousted. But Coulton appears neither anxious nor physically able to defend his title against Kid Williams, his most dangerous rival.

For all his unpopularity, Johnny Kilbane seems to be firmly seated upon the featherweight throne. Johnny Dundee is outgrowing the class, and in any case is scarcely of championship material.

In the lightweight class there are many contenders and among them a few who may outdistance the present stars. Most promising of these is Young Shugrue.

Speakers, Johnsons, Mathewsons and Archers, those clubs that have been favored with the best talent are habitually rapping at the door if not enjoying the upper stories of the great amusement structure.

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Robbideau stands high. Sammy Robbideau of Philadelphia is another who has a chance to develop. He was given a severe setback by Shugrue recently, but during the bout he demonstrated that he has many good qualities.

The same condition prevails among the middleweights. Mike Gibbons is the only one of the lot who knows how to fight, and the St. Paul phantom is too timid to make proper use of his remarkable skill.

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Boxers Who Are Eager to Relieve Ritchie of His Title



NO CHANGE FOR THIRD MAJOR

Big Base Ball Has Become Game of Big Money.

MILLIONS NEEDED TO START

After Cota is Supplied Comes the Question of Players, and Where Will These Be Had at This Time?

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BUSY SEASON FOR SCHOOLS

Athletic Activity at University and Colleges Has Been Great.

INSTRUCTORS ARE RE-ELECTED

As Reward for Brilliant Work Many of the Captains for This Year Have Been Chosen Again for Next.

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RITCHIE WANTS THE MONEY

Champion Will Take on Anybody if Price is Right.

WILL LET PROMOTERS BID UP

New Policy that Looks as if the Little Leader of Lightweights is Wise to His Present Opportunity.

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