

now enjoys if, trickery or foul

Roby club that has brought pugilism up orable way. Corbett fight. There is no doubt pluggers on either side, that the officials of the California club, under whose auspices it occurred. wanted to see Corbett defeated. The Californian got a shade the worst of it at their hands, and this deflection from to sink into obscurity.

time when championship battles were Sporting News. decided on the turf with the "raw uns" life at the ring-side at the hands of the sion that it is no uneven match. riffraff and tough element who went "to I happen to be acquainted with both ring many a good man was robbed of a nent's chances. other amn.

won by skullduggery and strong arm then world's champion. methods. You don't have to go very far From an honest and unprejudiced by fair means, then by foul. Although if any one can. Allen had Goss "done to a turn," he was Mitchell has a record, of which in I H & WEAK MADE STRONG. came champion.

for the promoters. It has been intimated that Mitchell is alship,

surrounding himself with men with sanhave met him at every important prizefight that has been fought in the past st ot it. He was Kilrain's time-keeper

man, and he was one of Denver Smith's

econds when he whipped Joe Goddard.

the Barrier champion. Masterson will that Mitchell will put up a fight, that THE COURTER can furnish pleasant bet his money, and I never knew him to will surprise not only Corbett but the ask more than an even break for it. At whole world. the other fistic engagements. The Den start and makes the fight short and dever man is a warm, personal friend of cisive, he will never win from Mitchell. awful blot on Charlie Mitchell. I know he would like He will give him a closer draw than Pethe compara- to see Mitchell win, but he would scarce- ter Jackson. tively fair fame ly want to see him whip the American that pugilism except in an honest, upright way. Talk of strong arm methods takes one

perchance, any back to the historical fight between John C. Heeman, the Benicia boy, and Tom methods were Sayers, the best man in all England. In used in deciding that fight America was robbed of a justthe big champ ly-earned and honestly-won championionship mill now ship, and worst of all it was an Amerion the boards. can that helped to rob his own country · Fair field, and of the coveted title. When Heenan had no favor, and may the best man win" is Sayers all but done, a New Yorker, so a ring adage that is believed in, indorsed the story goes, cut the ropes of the ring and followed by every true sportsman. and broke up the fight in a row. It Fortunately, this adage has been fol- would be gall and wormwood, indeed, if lowed out to the letter in all the contests history repeated itself and another under the auspices of the now promi- American could be found so low, so mean nent athletic clubs of this country. It and so lost to all sense of patriotic pride, was the spirit of fair play that prevailed that he would lend himself to a plan to at all the contests in the New Orleans help Mitchell wrest the championship clubs, the Coney Island club and the from Corbett in any other than an hon-

to its present high plane. There has The Duval club is in its infancy. This been no occasion for any pugilist to sits inaugural fight. It would be discomplain that he has received the worst astrous to the clubs future if there was of it in any of the fights that have taken any unsportmanlike conduct allowed in place at any of the clubs mentioned. the ring or at the ring side. It behooves The least wabble from the straight and the management of the club to erect narrow path nowadays is enough to safeguards against any bulldozing tacbring ruin to the transgressors. There ties by engaging a strong police force to was some irregularity in the Jackson- stop any outbreak on the part of the

THE FIGHTERS COMPARED.

Charley Mitchell and Jim Corbett are sportsmanlike conduct caused the club still in training in Florida and the time for their meeting is fast drawing nigh. Only the veteran contingent of the Many ideas have undoubtedly been adpresent immense army of lovers of the vanced as to the outcome of the coming game know how often the championship engagement. Of course public opinion has been decided in years gone by, not favors Corbett. Two reasons may be by the fists of the principals in the ring, given for this decided opinion as to the but by the clubs, guns and bull-dozing result of the battle. The first is because tactics of plug-uglies and shoulder-hit- he has vanquished the supposed unters at the ring side, remarks a sporting conquerable Sullivan, and the second I authority. They can go back to the ascribe to patriotism, says a writer in

Many a sporting man who knows and with no sort of police protection; both contestants, may, however, halt when anybody who attended took long and hesitate. After due deliberation, chances of losing his pocket-book or his he will undoubtedly come to a conclu-

see that the best man won" always pro- contestants. Both are endowed with all viding that their man was the best man. | the requisites of champion pugilists-in-Then the cry of the pluggers and heel- telligence, strength, science, pluck and ers was: "Save the money at all haz- stamina. If both be in superb ards. If not in one way then in an condition on the day of the contest the other." Their motto was win if you can; world will hear of no "walk over" for if you can't, get a draw, and if a draw is either man-unless an unlooked for in a wrangle. In the dark days of the to come from either, staggers his opportunity

justly-earned victory by reason of the I have seen Corbett in three of his fact that the bulk of the money and the most memorable battles-to wit: His sentiment of the crowd was with the fight with Choynski on the barge near Benecia. His contest to a draw with Even the annals of championship Jackson at the California club, and also brows without getting touched. And if fights has been smirched by victories his last and greatest contest with the Mitchell tries to turn the fight into a

back into ring history or very far from standpoint, I do not hesitate to say: Cincinnati to find the scene of one of the Choynski gave him in every way a harder most disgraceful robberies that ever dis- battle than Sullivan. Corbett, if he graced pugilism. The fight between Joe will speak honestly, aithough I know he Goss and Tom Allen, in 1877, which was has no love for Choynski, will tell you fought in two rings in Kenton and the same. Joe made Corbett prove to Boone counties, Kentucky, not twenty the world what kind of stuff he was miles from Cincinnati is a case in point. made of. He is undoubtedly chock full Followers of the ring who saw that bat. of grit. His draw with Jackson has tle know that Tom Allen never had a proven his science and stamina. He is chance to win. The gang had Goss undoubtedly the man to keep the world's slated to win, and win he must; if not championship on this side of the "pond"

robbed of the fight, and Joe Goss be. pugilistic circles he may be proud. He If you are sick or debilitated, do not Let us hope for the sake of the future miest days, not when debauchery and wrought many wonderful cures and has of pugilism that there will be nothing age had worked destruction. He was given strength to many. We know this thrown in the way of the coming fight bested at Madison Square Garden, N.Y., to be true from our own experience of being decided on its merits. Let it be but many of Sullivan's closest friends twenty-five years, and we are ready to conducted as honestly and fairly as have know how near he (Sullivan) came to furnish abundant proof. the Olympic, Coney Island and Roby losing his reputation at Chantilly, It is worth your while to examine the fights. Both men must go into the ring France. I heard Duncan Harrison, a evidence, which you can do by writing on an equal basis. No obstacle must be close friend of Sullivan's on one occasion to us. We will send you, free of charge. thrown in Mitchell's way simply because say: He would make an affidavit that our book of two hundred pages with he is a foreigner. Honorable defeat is Sullivan's backer had to put up over numerous testimonials and records of far more creditable than dishonorable two thousand dollars in cold cash to the surprising cures of asthma, beonchitis. victory. If Charley Mitchell is a better Mitchell people to make the fight a consumption, catarrh, rheumatism, ner A Year's Subscription to Any One of the man than Jim Corbett he should have a draw. Sullivan was a much better man vous prostration, neuralgia and other chance to show it. If Corbett can whip in those days, than when Corbett met forms of disease and debility. Mitchell is a fair, stand-up fight no out. him, even admitting the different rules Home treatment is sent out by exside influences or questionable and dis- and circumstances under which the bat- press, to be used at home. Office treathonorable tactics must be permitted to the occured. Mitchell is one of the ment is administered here. The effect prevent the mill reaching an honest is greatest "thinkers" in a ring I have of both treatments is the same. Consue. The sporting public want the best ever met. He is full of tricks. I do not sultation free. man to win, and they will not have any- mean to infer that he will make a dething else. Victory won by the bull. liberate foul-but that he has ring tac- imitations. Avoid disappointment and dozing route will raise such a storm of tics and advantages down to such a loss of money, as there is but one genuine indignation that it won't be very healthy study that he has on more than one oc. Compound Oxygen, by sending to casion won fights by his superior gener-

His science and physical prowess canguinary and graveyard records with the not be doubted. His courage should hope that, should a chance present it. not be questioned for he never feared to self, these men will come to the front meet Sullivan when he was whipping the hair should retain its natural color and browbeat and intimidate Corbett's the world. I did doubt it on one occafollows, Fears on this score are prob. sion when little Jack Dempsey, pulled bly groundless. Bat Masterson at out his "sack" in the Baldwin hotel, San whom these shots are aimed, is one of Francisco, and offered to go out and the most pleasant-spoken and mild-man. fight Mitchell for fun or marbles. Mitchnered men in the sporting fraternity. I ell refused. At that time we all thought him a coward. He was a sensible man, though many are gray, and few are bald. Dempsey was a lightweight and he a Hall's Hair Renewer restores the naturfive years. I have never seen him take heavyweight. He had a reputation to lose al colar, and thickens the growth of the an unfair advantage or ask a shade the and nothing to gain by whipping Demp. hair. sey. Besides Dempsey was America's when Sullivan whipped the Baltimore pride in those days, and if Mitchell had Hotaling & Son stand at the head of

least, I have found him that way in all Unless Corbett gets right in from the

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If your wear a silk hat which you should do in the evening if you want to be swell see that it is very bell shaped. Shoes will be somewhat more pointed

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and glared.

"Still one can t help being interested." "You ought to help it. It's your business to help it."

"But I've had it forced on my attenout of the question, break up the fight blow, early in the contest, which is apt tion," was the apologetic reply. "The book-keeper at our store wants to bet that Mitchell will whip Corbett."

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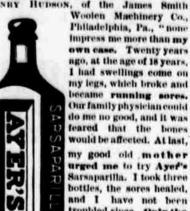
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