

WILL IT BE SQUARE?



T would be an awful blot on the comparative fair fame that pugilism now enjoys if, perchance, any trickery or foul methods were used in deciding the big championship...

the Barrier champion. Masterson will bet his money, and I never knew him to ask more than an even break for it. At least, I have found him that way in all the other fistie engagements...

THE FIGHTERS COMPARED.

Charley Mitchell and Jim Corbett are still in training in Florida and the time for their meeting is fast drawing nigh. Many ideas have undoubtedly been advanced as to the outcome of the coming engagement...

A SERMON SPOILED.

"I'm afraid," said Mr. Muggles to his nephew, "that you are giving altogether too much attention to the doings of prize fighters."

I have seen Corbett in three of his most memorable battles—to wit: His fight with Choyanski on the barge near Benecia. His contest to a draw with Jackson at the California club, and also his last and greatest contest with the then world's champion.

Mitchell has a record, of which in pugilistic circles he may be proud. He met the Champion Sullivan in his palmiest days, not when debauchery and age had worked destruction.

Let us hope for the sake of the future of pugilism that there will be nothing thrown in the way of the coming fight being decided on its merits. Let it be conducted as honestly and fairly as have the Olympic, Coney Island and Roby fights.

It has been intimated that Mitchell is surrounding himself with men with sanguinary and graveyard records with the hope that, should a chance present itself, these men will come to the front and browbeat and intimidate Corbett's fellows.

that Mitchell will put up a fight, that will surprise not only Corbett but the whole world. Unless Corbett gets right in from the start and makes the fight short and decisive, he will never win from Mitchell.

MEN'S FASHIONS.

Undressed kid gloves are swell. Many light-colored materials will be worn in the spring. Tan shoes will be the thing more than ever.

There is a tendency to cut trousers somewhat larger, and it will become very manifest in the spring. Creases in trousers continue to be popular.

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