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its rival as far as 300 hitters are concerned, and it is probable that the batsman who finishes fifth in the race for the batting honors of the American League will have a better percentage than the winner of the National League crown. For the past several weeks the batter who occupied fifth position in the American League's list of swatters has had a better percentage than the leader in the older circuit boasted of.

In the World of Sport

AN AMAZING OFFER BY CHAMPION DEMPSEY

Willing to Box Carpentier, Fulton and Beckett in Same Ring.

Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion of the world, has made one of the most unusual offers to the sporting world that any champion pugilist ever made. In a statement issued in Philadelphia the heavyweight title holder declared that he would box Joe Beckett, champion of Great Britain; Fred Fulton, the American now in Great Britain, and Georges Carpentier, the French champion, in the same ring, one after another, on the same night.

Dempsey, who is performing at a theatre in the Quaker City, said: "If the National Sporting Club of London, Mr. Cochrane of Olympia, or any other responsible British promoter will guarantee me a substantial purse I will agree to meet Fred Fulton, Joe Beckett and Georges Carpentier one after the other in the same ring."

There were no conditions other than a "substantial purse," but just what the conqueror of Jess Willard would consider substantial is a question that may be settled later.

Not even lanky Bob Fitzsimmons, whose doctrine was that "the bigger they are the harder they fall," ever made such an amazing offer. Fitz, shortly after losing his title to Jim Jeffries, knocked out Tom Sharkey and Gus Ruhlin in something less than a jig time, and then challenged Jeffries to immediate combat. Fitz fought his fights with Sharkey and Ruhlin within the span of a week.

Dempsey's proposition is the result of an offer made by Fred Fulton, the plasterer, whom Dempsey plastered in about eight seconds just over a year ago at this time, Fulton offered to meet Beckett and Carpentier in the same ring on the same night one after another. Dempsey has raised the ante, and the sporting world is justly amazed.

Dempsey insists however, that his proposition is accepted. Jack is justly incensed against the Rochester confessor, who sought to belittle the achievement of Dempsey by declaring the match at Harrison a fake. Jack believes that the same one-two punch that dropped Fulton they will drop him again.

Jack Kearns, manager of Dempsey, in a whole accord with his charge in the offer to box the three men in one night. He said to a Philadelphia newspaper man:

"Go ahead. Make it as strong as you like. Cable it to London. Call Fulton's bluff. If the other two did not possess any more heart than the Minnesota plasterer, the whole thing would be over in three rounds. Jack will be on the job. All he wants is a reasonable purse and fair play. He will do the rest."

It is felt that none of the men included in the offer could afford more

single combat. The champion proved in his battle with Willard that he is one of the most terrific hitters that ever lived. No man can hope to stand against him in the ring. Fulton with his glass jaw, surely could not. Beckett failed to startle the world when he took 17 rounds to wear down the rather passe McGouray. The fiery, plucky Carpentier, server of France and decorated for gallantry in action, arouses a sympathetic chord in the hearts of boxing fans. Although boxers should stand on their own feet, the fans would not like to see Carpentier swept down, even by an American.

Jack Dempsey's willingness to take on Fulton, Beckett and Carpentier in the same ring the same night provokes slight interest in London and Paris, as no promoter is willing to entertain such a proposition. However, Beckett was located by telephone at Southampton. His manager, Mortimer, said:

"The author of the proposal is a comedian, not a serious-minded person. Beckett is willing to meet Dempsey after Carpentier, provided Beckett beats Carpentier. The Beckett and Carpentier bout is scheduled for late in November or early in December. Our proposition is that Dempsey cross over at the end of the year and box for a purse of \$125,000. The arrangement for meeting Carpentier was made long ago.

"The winner will be the champion of Europe and worthy to meet Dempsey, the champion of America."

Rugby Briefs.

Jack Newton, the former Varsity star, is coaching the Sarnia O.R.F.U. intermediate team.

According to information from Hamilton the Tigers will not have an intermediate team in the Interprovincial Union.

It is figured that the Interprovincial will have an intermediate series with two teams in Toronto and two in Hamilton. Argos will be one Toronto team.

When Argos play against Tigers at Hamilton on Oct. 15th the Tiger officials expect that the Prince of Wales will kick off the ball.

The Hamilton City League will organize shortly and will play as a group of the O.R.F.U. junior series.

There appears to be some doubt in Hamilton as to whether or not the Hamilton will be able to show his old time form.

Reams, the Tiger goaltender, is out with the Tiger rugby squad. He is a backfield player.

Seventy-eight candidates answered the first call to arms issued by Coaches Foulds and Campbell and turned out to the University of Toronto football practice.

De La Salle, University Schools and St. Michael's College will likely form a Toronto interscholastic group of the O.R.F.U.

St. Catharines is again expected to have a city league to form one group of the O.R.F.U. junior series.

The Interscholastic League of Western Ontario is a group of the O.R.F.U. interscholastic section.

The O.R.F.U. would like to see London organize a city league to make a group of the O.R.F.U. junior series.

Lindsay Collegiate are the first eastern team to make it known their desire to play in the O.R.F.U. The O.R.F.U. has tried for several years to stir things up in the east, but the response has not been very good.

Smirle Lawson, Pete Gorman, Jack Newton, Hugh Gall, Jack Maynard and Dick Sheehy will play in the Varsity Old Boys' game at Toronto on Saturday, Oct. 4th.

Baker, a husky wing man from Gananoque, is out with the Ottawas. He recently returned from overseas and is in good shape. He would make a good middle or inside wing man. He is a new arrival in the capital.

"Mike" Rodden, former outside wing of the Queen's University team, will likely be out with the Argonauts this season. Mike is on the sporting

staff of the Toronto Globe and will, incidentally, coach the Y.M.C.A. team in the Ontario Union.

Gilhooley, formerly of Queen's, has turned out with McGill rugby team.

In view of fact that Royal Military College have withdrawn, there will be only two scheduled Intercollegiate League games played by McGill at the stadium this season. With several open dates, exhibition games will be arranged. On Oct. 27th, a game will be arranged, which will be attended by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

COLLEGE SCHEDULE MAY BE REVISED

The executive of the McGill Rugby Club will ask the Intercollegiate Union for a rearrangement of the schedule, as the withdrawal of R.M.C. has left McGill without a home game until Nov. 8th, when they are scheduled to meet Queen's, and on the following Saturday they will play their second home game with Toronto. The representatives of McGill on the board of referees for this season will attend a meeting of all of the Intercollegiate referees at Kingston on Saturday, Sept. 27th.

The Cadets Are Busy.

The Royal Military College football teams are practising with a view to making entries in the Junior and Intermediate series in the O. R. F. U. but the composition of the teams has not yet been decided upon and will probably depend upon the workout of the boys.

The aquatic and track sports have not yet taken any shape, but a P. T. class will put on a display as an attraction at the Kingston Industrial

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