

ROUND TWO

Opened with wild exchange and clinch; Corbett upper-cut Mitchell as they came together. Mitchell landed hard on Corbett's ribs, and as Mitchell came in Corbett caught him on the head, staggering him. Corbett upper-cut Mitchell again and landed a right on Mitchell's chin. Mitchell reached Corbett's chin. A sharp rally with Corbett having the advantage. Mitchell got in twice on Corbett's neck. Corbett floored Mitchell cleanly and knocked him down again as he essayed to rise. Gong.

ROUND THREE

Mitchell rather groggy. Corbett rushed at him swinging right and left to the neck. Mitchell went down. Mitchell took full time to rise. Corbett rushed at him like a tiger. Mitchell clinched. Corbett threw him off and floored him with a stiff facer. Again Mitchell took full time to rise and when he advanced toward Corbett, the latter swung his right with deadly effect to Mitchell's nose. Mitchell reeled and fell on his face, helpless—knocked out.

Such was the newspaper report of the fight. It was witnessed by 1800 people, including the sporting element of the country, who paid \$31,000 to see it. No attempt was made to stop the fight during its progress, but both Corbett and Mitchell were arrested immediately afterward. Each was released on \$5,000 bond. Both departed the next day for the North and both returned to Jacksonville the last of February for trial. Corbett was acquitted of the charge of assault and battery. Judge Christie, when asked if he was going to proceed against Mitchell, remarked that if Corbett could not be convicted of assault and battery he hardly thought that Mitchell could, and nol prossed his case.

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Crime Wave

In the last week of January a crime wave broke out in Jacksonville. Burglaries, robberies and hold-ups, evidently by professionals, were of frequent occurrence. Some of these criminals were captured, but most of them were too shrewd for the local police and "got by" with their jobs. This seemed to be an inducement for the criminally inclined to become active. That year was the worst crime year that Jacksonville had ever known up to that time. There was a shake-up in the police department and a change of chiefs, but with little