

PRIZE-FIGHT NEAR COLNE BRIDGE. -- THE POLICE WITNESSES OF THE SCENE.—Yesterday morning the Huddersfield police received information from Dewsbury that a prize-fight was going to take place in the Huddersfield district. Supt. Hogg, of the borough force, and Supt. Richard, of the (Huddersfield) county police, drove at once to Bradley, in the direction of Mirfield, which is between Huddersfield and Dewsbury, and found the principal public-houses—the Woodman and the White Cross—full of people of the collier class and sporting men, and they informed them that no fight would have to take place there. From the Woodman they went in the direction of the railway station, and a great crowd of men were coming up the hill from the station, a train from Dewsbury having just brought them. These men were told that no fight would have to take place. Many of the men fled—some to the right, and some to the left towards Colne Bridge. The two superintendents followed in a trap, and saw droves of men going over waste land in the direction of Mirfield. By rapid driving the superintendents got ahead of the people, and rounding a hill, came in sight of the combatants, who were stripped, fighting, and surrounded by a great crowd of men. Two Dewsbury West Riding men had come up with the superintendents, and they were going forward to try and make an arrest when they were told what would happen if they did arrest the men. It was only because of the overwhelming numbers of spectators that this could not be done. While the officers were there three rounds were fought, and the men seemed to do it in a very inexperienced and unscientific fashion. The men were very badly punished, and when the three rounds were over the sponge was thrown up, and the fight was at an end. The fight, which was for £10 a-side, was between Pat Flannagan, a soldier, and J. "Brennan," and as their names were taken by the police, the men will in all probability be brought before the West Riding magistrates at Dewsbury, as the fight actually took place in the Dewsbury district.