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 REFERENCE'S DECISION  
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First Round—Even.  
 Second Round—Gurvich.  
 Third Round—McDonald.  
 Fourth Round—Gurvich.  
 Fifth Round—McDonald.  
 Sixth Round—McDonald.  
 Seventh Round—Gurvich.  
 Eighth Round—Gurvich.  
 Ninth Round—Even.  
 Tenth Round—McDonald.

Gurvich—Four rounds; McDonald, four rounds; even; two rounds; decision draw.

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When Jimmy McDonald of Vancouver and Battling Dido Gurvich of Prince Rupert were embraced and dealing short body blows as the final gong rang

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last night, their dispute for the middleweight championship of Northern British Columbia, if such a contest it might be called, was still unfinished. Decision of same should promise something interesting and promising for the future. There were eight hundred or so people present last night and they all promised themselves that they would come back, bringing some more with them, when the two boys are brought together again. It was the crowning event of the local corner's career to date.

Gurvich got everything he had coming to him when Referee Brick Skinner raised his arm along with McDonald's to show that honors had been even. Dido's extra seven pounds and his long reach served him well, in fact, were probably the determining factors in saving the day for him. At the same time he put up the best fight in his life and showed a vast improvement over previous appearances. Nor was his opponent an old man or suffering with the palsy. Judging from how the most of the spectators felt, Gurvich was lucky to have it called a draw. But, of course, opinions always differ on matters of this kind. Be it said for the local lad that he carried the fight to the Vancouver man much of the way, though the latter might easily have been given the decision on points.

DIFFERENT STYLES

They showed altogether different styles of fighting. Dido the spectacular rusher who attempted to deal the haymakers and got away with a few, besides missing a lot. Almost every time, however, he plunged into an embrace and there it was that McDonald got in his work, delivering the short body and face blows that take longer to decide the issue but sometimes prove effective though not very in this particular case. McDonald put up a pleasing and clean fight, wasting not as much energy as his local opponent. There were stages in the ten round meeting where either one or the other had his man at his advantage but neither was able to avail himself of opportunity and finish it off.

In some ways it was an even enough battle though Gurvich possibly led in attack while McDonald was an able coverer and allowed few advantages. In the fine points of the game he was no doubt the best but Dido had lots of courage and was not afraid of punishment. Both boys had plenty of supporters. The battle was well sustained and both boxers mixed with a will. The spectators were all satisfied with the action provided, though comparatively little blood was shed.

There were ten three minute rounds. Dido, whose second was his brother, Jack, was first in the ring. He did some big town stunts before his vaseline smeared rival appeared on the scene. Both boys were given an ovation. The new gloves were thrown into the ring and Charles Brown, McDonald's handler, looked them over carefully. Before the hostilities started, Jack Gurvich insisted on rubbing the vaseline off the Vancouver boy's face. McDonald weighed in at 146 pounds, Gurvich at 153, an advantage of seven pounds.

ROUND BY ROUND

Dido took a short rush and walked right into a clinch. McDonald started his short fighting and got in a few. Gurvich was not so proficient in this game but stuck in a few jabs. They got apart and Dido tried a long one. There was more embracing and short fighting. McDonald was possibly leading but the referee said it was even.

Dido was leading off in the second round with some long ones which seldom landed. McDonald was elusive and well covered, dealing short ones in the clinches. The referee checked the clinching. Dido rushed up again and took one on the nose. The local battler then landed a good right. It was a pretty even round, some feeling that McDonald, who looked fresher, had a shade. The referee called it Gurvich's.

Dido rushed into another clinch in the third. He tried some uppercuts but was wild. McDonald got in a lot of close work which almost seemed to tire Dido. It was McDonald's round.

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Dido was checked for clinching in the fourth round. One or two jabs looked a little low. Gurvich hung on for a while and then got out and rushed again. He had his head down and there was a tendency to slugging. He was leading but made little impression on his opponent. Then there was more close fighting. The round looked even but was called Gurvich's.

There was more infighting in the fifth and Dido looked to be slowing up. He was probably saving himself. McDonald started to unhook his offensive was chasing Dido, dealing one in here and there in the open and making some wild swings. Dido started a counter attack but was wild. The end of the round saw them in a clinch. It was McDonald's round and there was no argument about it.

In the sixth, both of them were swinging wild and landing an odd one. Dido started to hold on to his opponent but got some more close ones. It began to look pretty sure that McDonald did not have a kayce in his mitt though this, too, was his round.

Dido started a rally in the seventh and leading again. Things were living up a bit. Dido was trying the long ones with a slug here and there. Gurvich had the shade.

Dido came right to life in the eighth. He was landing on McDonald's nose and reaching his body. McDonald was landing once or twice, too. Dido went right after him with his head down and they plunged out of the ring. Gurvich on top, into the laps of Ben Self's ringside party. Dido was still landing them frequent and heavy when they got back to the seat of war. McDonald was down for the count of two. He got up and Dido was after him again. McDonald was on the ropes covering up but Dido could not finish him, though he was landing heavy body blows and uppercuts. Both boys were somewhat spent at the end of the round which was all Dido's.

Dido launched his offensive again in the ninth but he was not so fresh. A few lefts and rights made no impression and then he started to hang on and received some short ones. Dido looked tired but McDonald wasn't so strong and couldn't find an opening. It was an even round.

Both boys were tired in the tenth and Gurvich was hanging on. He put on another rush with his head down but there was not so much life in it. It looked like Dido would stage a rally but McDonald took the lead. Dido hung on and took some more close-in blows. There were embraces and dealing body blows when the fight ended. It was McDonald's round fairly enough.

ANOTHER VERSION

Here was another version of the rounds, though not official, of course: First, McDonald's; second, McDonald's; third, McDonald's; fourth, even; fifth, McDonald's; sixth, McDonald's; seventh, Gurvich's; eighth, Gurvich's; ninth, even; tenth, McDonald's; McDonald, six; Gurvich, two; even, two.

McDonald gets \$100 and expenses for the fight; the balance, after paying bills, to be split between Gurvich and Ralph Smith, promoter.

Brick Skinner refereed the main events as well as the preliminaries. Max Heilbroner was timekeeper and Norman McLean, assistant timekeeper. Dr. J. A. West was official surgeon and the Fire Chief and lots of policemen were on hand to keep things in order.

There were four spirited preliminaries as well as a lively semi-windup in which Billy Mulhern of Nanaimo, who was out on his feet, lost the decision to husky Benny Wendie of Prince Rupert. There were four two-minute rounds in

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