

Which he sold at a very high price  
A volume that didn't seem over-reined,  
And clearly was not of the Sunday-School kind.  
All this, and much more - but your patience  
will fail.  
Unless I desist, and go on with my tale :

Our worthy Professors no sooner had found  
Their ten-shilling seats in the circular ground  
And looked at the horses, when, presently,  
came

A wish to know what was the favorite's name,  
And how stood the betting - quite plainly reveal-  
ing

The old irrepressible horse-racey feeling  
Which is born in the bone, and is apt to come  
out

When thoroughbred couriers are snorting  
about!

The Professors, in fact - I am grieved to re-  
port -

At the very first match entered into the sport,  
And bet (with each other) their money away -  
Just fifty a piece - on the brown and the bay ;  
And shouted as loud as they ever could bel-  
low,

" Hurrah for the filly," and " go it old fel-  
low !

And, " Stick to your business !" and " Battle  
your pegs !"

Like a jolly old brace of professional " Legs !"

The race being over, quoth Jacob, " I see  
My wager is forfeit : to that I agree.

The fifty is yours, by the technical rules  
Observed, I am told, by these horse-racing  
fools ;

But then, as a Christian - I'm sorry to say it -  
My conscience, you know, won't allow me to  
pay it !"

" No matter " - quoth James - " I can hardly  
refuse

To accord with your sound theological views ;  
A tardy repentance is better than none :

I must tell you, however, 'twas your horse that  
won !

But of course, you won't think of demanding the  
poff,

For, I have a conscience, as well as yourself !"

## Miscellaneous.

Brook trout are plentiful in Puslinch.

The grave digger, we learn from the Buf-  
falo Express, is the king of spades.

Detroit claims to send ten thousand frogs'  
legs daily to the New York market, which we  
should call a jumping business.

The new officers of the London Quoiting  
Club are - President, W. Fogg ; Vice-do.,  
W. Lewis ; Sec., J. Cuthbertstone.

The second prize in the Port Huron band  
tournament has been carried off by the  
Strathroy band, with 164 points.

One of the acute sayings of a humorist is :  
' There's a great deal of human nature in  
horse-trading, but no assets.'

A Colorado woman has collected fifty  
bushels of grasshoppers, and scalded and  
dried them for winter chicken feed.

A fashionable exchange says : " Ladies  
will carry larger pocket-books this season."  
Glad to hear it ; hope their husbands will be  
able to do the same.

At Montreal lager beer is considered to be  
a temperance drink. None of the Commis-  
sioners were ever able to drink enough of it  
to get tight.

The most stupendous hypocrite that the  
times have revealed is that minister at Ha-  
vana Ill., who recently organised a revival at  
Havana, to enable thieves to steal horses  
during the excitement. We would like his  
name !

An acrobatic Frenchman claims great  
credit for being able to walk on the ceiling  
with his head down ; but if he wants to cre-  
ate a real sensation, let him walk on the ceil-  
ing with his head up.

The Brighton Ensign says : - On Tuesday  
morning, one of our fishermen, Mr. Brooks,  
found an immense sturgeon on a night line  
that he had set for trout. Considerable dif-  
ficulty was experienced in landing his fish-  
ship, but with the assistance of three men, a  
rope and gaff-hooks, he was finally brought  
into the boat. It weighed 124 pounds and  
measured 6 feet, 10 inches in length.

McKee Rankin, who recently played Mac-  
beth for the first time, made an original in-  
novation by representing the character in the  
last act of the play as an old man. This is  
in accord with Macbeth's description of him-  
self as " fallen into a sere and yellow leaf,"  
and necessitates the supposition of a lapse of  
many years between the death of Duncan  
and his own.

Colonel B., a notorious gambler, the other  
day met a friend who accosted him with,  
" How are you, colonel ? How have you  
been of late ?" " Oh ! I have had a great  
misfortune," replied the colonel, " I have lost  
Mrs." " How did you lose her ?" was the  
next question, " at euchre or poker ?"

Mansfield (Mass.) jewellers are making  
jewelry of the curd which comes from their  
cheese factories. The curd is made very hot,  
coloring matter is introduced, and it is sub-  
jected to a heavy pressure, after which it ap-  
pears as " American coral," jet or celluloid,  
as the case may be. It is made into all  
styles of jewelry.

The Athol (Mass.) Transcript says : Up  
to the time of going to press we remain un-  
altered in our opinion that the method  
adopted by many farmers of sitting on the  
fence and swearing at the potato bug is, on  
the whole, worthless as an exterminating  
process. In fact, close observation convinces  
us that the plan, though in a measure com-  
forting to some farmers, has an exasperating  
effect on the bug, which is by nature rather  
pious in disposition, and stirs him up to in-  
creased activity.

Mayor Moore, of Cincinnati, recently said  
to a committee of clergymen, " It is unjust of  
you to demand that others, who have a dif-  
ferent view of the Sabbath from yourselves,  
shall be oppressed. Your churches shall be  
protected, and the authorities will do all in  
their power in order that the services may  
not be disturbed. I have at all times granted  
to churches, when they have given en-ter-  
tainments and exhibitions, and even raffles,  
which are also illegal, free licenses. Live and  
let live. Permit the people to have their in-  
nocent amusement." These are the views  
of a statesman.

The games at Cornwall, on May 24, were  
marred by the occurrence of a fearful ac-  
cident during the hammer throwing com-  
petition. A girl aged thirteen years, named  
Ellen Kavanagh, was struck on the head  
and instantly killed by a hammer thrown  
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to Mr. McLennan, as the hammer landed  
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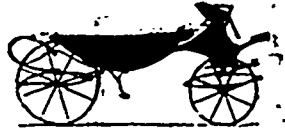
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