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of that day, impossible and on Wednesday extremely dangerous. Other horses appeared on the track, so that altogether racing was entirely out of the question. In fact several officials declared they would not set if the horses were started. Under the circumstances, therefore, there was nothing for the club to do but to postpone the sport for two days. This they very reluctantly did and the racing will now take place on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. This brings the termination very near to the commencement of the Hamilton Jockey Club races, which commence on Thursday of next week and will be continued on Friday and Saturday, but it is unavoidable. Although the prospects are favorable for good drying weather the track is sure to be heavy and consequently many a previous calculation will be upset, making the meeting from a sporting point of view all the more interesting. The Queen's Plate will now be run on the second day, Tuesday's Birthday, instead of on Tuesday, two days before, as originally intended. Without going into the why and the wherefore we will say that our final choice is for Lou Daly, Terrence and Joe Miller to finish in the order named. The other starters will probably be Lechner, Dictator, Benlar, Mayblossom, Annie D., Vicar of Wakefield, or nine in all. All of the events that have closed to date have filled remarkably well, so that with half decent weather sport is assured such as this fair Dominion has never seen before.

### HORSES FOR SALE.

The enclosure under this head one dollar, when inserted two dollars, five insertions three dollars.

ROBINETTE MAHE—Stylish, kind, and pleasant driver; good stock; 7 years old; weight, 925 lbs.; record, without hand, on heavy mile track, 2:50; dark brown in color. Price, \$100. J. A. Bonan, Tipton, P.E.I.

ROBINETTE MAHE—Color, dark brown; 7 years old in May, 1894; 16 hands high; sound, free from vice and an excellent, good and stylish driver. She is a splendid mother, besides being good to haul, will kick at nothing. A guarantee will be furnished that she is of excellent stock; \$100 will buy her. J. A. Brennan, Tipton, P.E.I.

### GREAT BATTLES OF THE WORLD.

Reviews of the following prize fights are appeared in THE ADVOCATE:

Tom Sayers and J. C. Heenan.  
Tom King and J. C. Heenan.  
Tom Hyer and Yankee Sullivan.  
St. Laugham and Tom Sayers.  
John Morrissey and J. C. Heenan.  
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Tom Sayers and Bob Brettell.  
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Joe Mac and Tom King (No. 2).  
Wm. Thompson (Benedict) and "Don" Burke.  
Tom Sayers and Wm. Perry (the Tipton Slasher).  
Wm. Perry (the Slasher) and Charles Freeman (the American Giant).  
Tom Sayers and Harry Poulson.

These reports are discontinued for the season on account of the pressure on our seeing to the fact that the racing

and general sporting season is upon us. They will be renewed in the fall. In the meantime reports of all racing events, both running and trotting, will be welcomed, as well as any news of the breeding, selling or performing of horses.

As Nos. 1 and 2 of THE ADVOCATE have run out of print we shall be obliged if anybody having a copy of those papers, and who does not wish to bind, will return either one or the other or both to the office.

### ALL-ROUND SPORT.

A MATCH for \$1,000 has been arranged between the chess experts, Lasker and Pillsbury.

A RACE is to be sailed next month between two yachts owned respectively by Yale and Harvard universities.

AUSTRALIANS think that Tom Sullivan, the champion cricketer of England, is not at all hearted enough to beat a man like Gansdair.

AN International Athletic Congress is to be held in Paris between June 16 and 20, under the auspices of the French societies for athletics.

THE last deposits have been made of the money required in the Corbett-Jackson fight, but the time for the contest to take place has not been definitely fixed.

SIMMONS, the colored bicycle rider whose entries for the Irvington Milburn road race was rejected on account of his color, has decided to bring the matter in to the courts.

THE tallest cricketer in the world is said to be C. W. Reid, a Sydney medical student at Edinburgh. He stands six feet eight and a half inches in height, and plays with the Edinburgh Australians.

BARON ROBERT OFFENBACH, the Paris financier, has ordered to be built in France a racing yacht to cost \$100,000. The boat is intended to compete with the Vigilant and other yachts of that craft.

THE fifteenth and sixteenth games of chess played between Lasker and Steinitz were won by the former. Lasker has almost insurmountable lead having won nine games, five more than his opponent. Three games have been drawn.

DETROIT now boasts of a lacrosse club. In that respect she is not the only city in the States that has a club playing lacrosse. The game is being adopted by the big colleges, and an annual international match is a possibility of the future.

THE Terra Cotta kennels of Hamilton have lately been augmented by the owners, John G. Keith, of Toronto, and William J. Tulk, who have purchased Champion Gem and Champion Wild Rose, two of the best show canines in America.

THE beautiful grand stand of the Boston Baseball Club was destroyed by fire the other day, while a game was in progress. The fire originated in the bleachers where a careless spectator dropped a lighted match. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

THE Earl of Jersey is the new president of the Marylebone Cricket Club which has now 3,941 members, and last year had an income of \$100,000. Lord Jersey, who was lately appointed Governor of New South Wales, was a first-class runner at a mile and two miles when he was at Oxford.

THE 100 pigeon contest under the novelty rule for the championship of America, in the Chicago shooting tournament, has been won by R. O. Heikes of Dayton, O., who killed 81 out of 100. It was in this contest on the first day of the shoot, that Van Dyke broke the world's record.

THE Montreal Lacrosse Club at the present time has many interested influences at work which threaten to result in its disintegration. They will place a team of indifferent merit in the senior league, and it is expected that there will be a bitter struggle for fact and honors between the Montrealers and the Torontonians.

PROFESSIONAL bicycle riding in Paris is not all it is cracked up to be, if you are not in the first rank of speedsters. Chas. W. Ashinger, an American rider not having won a single race in which he has engaged in Paris, and having no capital but his muscles, is in a condition bordering upon extreme poverty. A fund has been started for his benefit by his friends in Paris.

A GOLF club has been formed in Hamilton. This curious game which seems to be the craze in the Mother country is rapidly growing in favor in this country. The Toronto club which has been in existence for a number of years has purchased lately a large tract of land near the eastern limits of the city, and has erected therein a well-appointed clubhouse.

TOM ECK, the well known trainer, who hails from Aurora, Ont., has unseated a bicycling phenomenon whom he thinks will beat all the fast men. His name is Herman Kinsman and he comes from the west. He resembles Sanger in build and weighs nearly 200 pounds. Despite his great weight Kinsman was a remarkably fast sprinter before he took up bicycle riding, having covered 100 yards in an even 10 seconds.

DR. SPOLSKY and SON, of Penatung, with Mr. McCausland, one of the officials of the reformatory prison there, recently went out fishing for bullheads in Mud lake, between Penatung, and Midland. They used as bait chickens' wings and legs, which were attached to strings and placed in the water. When the fish surrounded the dainty bait a landing net was dropped and the haul made. Dr. Spolsky says that the largest catch at one time was thirty-seven fish. The party returned to Penatung with 3,036 fish, which is pretty good fishing for one day. —Orillia News Letter. We should rather say so.

### RACING IN ROME.

THE prizes for these races were called palli, and were usually pieces of brocade or some other rich stuff, which was thrown over the back of the horse that won and so displayed to the people. We also have a procession of the Palli, no doubt they offer took the form of banners. The nobles used to deposit them in their chapels, and in the last days of the Papal government the French soldiers substituted for the Procession of the Palli that of the Rue Grasse, says an exchange.

THE Pope's dragons used to gallop through the Corso to clear it before the race and to warn the people that it had actually started. Either mortars were fired or trumpets blown, but accidents were perpetually occurring, and when in 1860 two people were killed just below the balcony where stood the Queen/Margherita, the Barbary mocs were forbidden in the Corso for the future, though renewed last year in a very much modified form around the Piazza del Popolo.

THE horses had no riders, but carried two balls of lead covered with prickles, loosely attached by leather thongs below the neck and on the back, so of course the harder they galloped the more these prickly balls danced up and down and gawled them on. Dashing furiously along the Corso they passed almost before people knew that they had started, and in such a narrow street, with such a

crush on either side, and somebody always trying to cross at the last moment or stepping out of the throng to see if they were coming, it was said to be rather that it was a dangerous game, though of course the danger was in part also the attraction.

A street was stretched across the street to catch the horses at the head of Piazza Venezia, in the passage still called Via de'la Ripresa de' Barberi, in front of which was a cord covered with wet red paint; this dropped before the rush of the foremost horse, leaving a strip of paint on his chest, and thus all knew at once which was the winner.

### WONDERFUL SAGACITY.

STORIES of the sagacity of the horse, marvelous or bordering on the marvelous, are often told. Some of them are so remarkable as to make considerable calls upon the credulity of the reader, and I will confess that, as far as my knowledge of the horse's intelligence, I am not always willing to take these tales at face value. Once in a while, however, a well-attested story comes to hand, so unusual that in light of it I am tempted to believe that the most imaginative. The most to which my attention has been called is one of the sort that could be almost unbelievable, but that I have it from a friend, a personal notice the finale took place. It happened in Pittsburg, Pa., and its hero was an ordinary street horse of that city. Some months ago this horse was taken with a very severe attack of colic—so severe that he was finally taken to the veterinary hospital of Arday Bros., at Thirty-first and Forty streets, where he was successfully treated. Not long after he was again taken with colic, upon the street, with such violence that considerable difficulty was experienced in getting him into the veterinary wagon. When finally unhitched he broke away from those about him and set off, supposedly at random, as fast as he could go. There was, however, "a method in his madness;" he was not simply "running amuck;" in his pain, but headed directly for the Messrs. Arday's establishment, where he soon arrived, and, his condition becoming apparent, he was again relieved. From this time on the horse became subject, at irregular intervals, to colical paroxysms. In every case he was instantly set at liberty and at once went directly to his "haven of refuge" in search of the relief which never failed him. This continued for some time, until one morning his owner, upon arising and seeking the barn, found no horse there. The stall in which he was kept had been literally kicked to pieces, and the stable-door, which had been securely locked, latterly, kicked open and swung open. Suspecting the cause, the owner immediately repaired to the Messrs. Arday's, where he found his horse lying dead in front of the door. The horse had been taken with colic in the night, and, being a large, strong animal, had done his best to break barriers between himself and liberty and once more sought the friends who had previously dissipated his pain. This time, however, instead of finding the assistance that had previously never failed him, he was confronted by a door closed and barred against him, and, presumably exhausted by his tremendous efforts in breaking loose from his own stable, and by his intense pain, he had given up the struggle and death had come to his relief.

This I can vouch for as a story true in every particular. It is not more true than it is wonderful in illustrating the intelligence with which the "noblest of animals" is at times endow'd, or to show as it exemplifies the implicit trust he will place in man, who subjugated him, and I regret to say, so often abuses him. —Volunteer, in Clark's Horse Review.