

was a chestnut horse belonging to General Wells. He was so good that at one time he defeated the best horse in the country with Lexington, and had defeated him in a race of four-mile heats, running the fastest in the country. Afterwards, however, Lexington ran against that time and made 7m. 19 3/4s., but upon track specially prepared, and with a running start; and again Lexington beat Lecompte in 23 3/4s. the same year. They were both then called four years old on the 14th of April, the day of the last race, but they were five according to the English rules and our rules of the present period. Lexington carried 103 lbs., but Lecompte of that age now would have to carry 124 lbs. Pryor was a chestnut horse, two years younger than Lecompte, got by Glencoe out of a mare, by American Eclipse, dam Meloc's young Maid of the Oaks, by imp. Expedition. He was an excellent little horse, named after Mr. J. B. Pryor, who trained Lexington for Mr. Ten Broeck. The year Pryor went to England he won two-mile heats at Natchez, in straight heats, upon a very heavy track, and four-mile heats over a heavy track. In this last race he beat Lecompte and ran his heats in 7:47—7:44 1/2. It was on account of this race that Captain Lecompte used to maintain that Pryor was the best horse ever taken from America to England. At the same year he walked over four-mile heats for the purse for all ages, on the Metairie Course, New Orleans; and beat Lecompte and Minnow in three-mile heats, over a very heavy track, in straight heats, the first of which was won by Lecompte. He also won the Jockey Club Stakes for all ages, four-mile heats, at the Fashion Course, Long Island, defeating Florida and Minnow, in straight heats and slow, as the track was new and very heavy. That was the last race Pryor ran in this country. He never won a term in England, and, as we have said above, believe that his long heat races here were not the right kind of thing for a horse wanted to go to there. The third racer of the first lot taken from the Atlantic was the bay filly Prioresa, a three-year-old, and a very fast one. She was imported from England, and got by Emilius out of the mare Fleur de Lis, by Bourbon. This was the only one of two horses in England before he was sold to go to Russia, and the Czar Nicholas would have let him go back. Fleur de Lis won the Goodwood Cup two years in succession. The first time she carried 129 lbs., the second time 130 lbs. She also won the Doncaster Cup, and was one of those concerning whom the King in reply to his trainer's question: "What will we start?" "Start the whole fleet!"

Lecompte, Prioresa was out of Reel. Her first race was mile heats at the Metairie Course, and she won the Equus Stakes, straight heats, 1:46—1:45, and the following week she won the similar Stakes of \$300 each, in 1:47—1:46 1/2. The first of these races there were twenty subscribers at \$300 each, \$100 forfeit, and it declared. In the second there were eleven subscribers, two of whom ran, six paid forfeit and three declared. The last race Prioresa ran was at the Fashion Course, in June, 1856. She won mile heats, and on the same day and had that Pryor won his four-mile heat race. She was the first to beat the filly, and she was the only one of the three who had not run long heats; she was the youngest of the three; she had started three times, and she ran much the best of the three. The first trainer Mr. Ten Broeck brought to England was Palmer, a man of very considerable experience. His assistant was Brown, who has now gone to England to train Mr. Lorillard's horses. The first race for one of the American horses was engaged for the Corporation Handicap Plate at Newcaste, a mile and seven furlongs. Pryor was entered with 100 lbs., and paid forfeit. Prioresa was entered in the Steward's Cup at Stockport, two miles. She was allotted 113 lbs., and paid forfeit. The English handicappers gave her 13 lbs. more than Pryor, although she was younger, and this shows that his four-mile races here made little impression on them. The first race in which either of them started was the Goodwood Cup, in which all foreign horses then had an allowance of 14 lbs. As now, there also certain penalties for those which had won. That year there forty runners, and fourteen horses started. The American was fondly hugged here that the American would stay best, and we often heard said in this country that if Prioresa ever

and Fisherman third. The winner was ridden by Tom Ashmall, brother of the wife of Anthony Taylor, the trainer. Gilpatrick was found fault with as having gone wide with the mare when in the lead, but he has always maintained, and, no doubt, truly, that he rode just where Mr. Ten Broeck told him to ride when they went over the course together. "The real truth is," said he to us, not long ago, "that when the French and English horses got well into the straight and set out to run, Prioresa stood still." The trailer and jockey both came back to America, leaving Brown and Littlefield with the horses. The weight Prioresa carried in the Cup was 109 lbs. Fisherman was of the same age, and he beat her a long way with 18 lbs. more. Her next appearance was in the Sussex County Cup at Lewes, two miles. She ran fourth in a field of five, with 106 lbs. Tournament, three-year-old, won with 105 lbs. Pryor made his last race at Leicester in the Leicestershire Handicap, a mile and a half, and was sixth of nine. He had never been well in England, and that fall he died. Prioresa made her third race at Chester, in the Shorts Handicap, seven furlongs. She had 95 lbs. up and was last of seven. Her next race was for the Cesarewitch Handicap, two miles, two furlongs, and twenty-eight yards. The mare was nicely weighted with 93 lbs. Thirty-four started, and she ran a dead heat with the three-year-old colt, El Hakim, by The Cure, who carried the same weight as Prioresa. A lad named Tankesley rode her, and Little rode El Hakim. A third dead-heat was Queen Bess, a three-year-old, with 60 lbs., ridden by Grimshaw. In running off the dead heat Fordham rode Prioresa and Bray was on El Hakim. The former won by a length and a half, and the latter beat Queen Bess by a head. This was a great triumph for Brown the trainer, and it must have afforded solid satisfaction to the owner. The last race that year for Prioresa was the Cambridgeshire Handicap. She carried 93 lbs., and was not placed. Odd Trick, a three-year-old, won with 103 lbs.—N. Y. Sportsman.

AMERICAN HORSES IN ENGLAND.

MR. SANFORD TO DISPOSE OF HIS PRESENT STABLE AND TRAIN A FEW TWO-YEAR-OLDS NEXT YEAR.

From the English sporting press it would seem that Mr. Sanford has already broken up or is about to break up his stable in England. Alluding to the fact, the Sporting Life says: "The Duke of Hamilton is thoroughly cosmopolitan in his racing pursuits, his stud comprising French, American, and English horses. Some time since it will be remembered that he bought a batch of American yearlings and imported them to this country. He has now purchased Start for breeding purposes from the transatlantic sportsman, Mr. Sanford, who, I believe, intends relinquishing racing in this country. It cannot be said that Mr. Sanford has had any great slice of fortune with the team he was plucky enough to bring over to try conclusions with our thoroughbreds; neither can it be said that he has been blest with the best of luck, for somehow his horses took a long time to acclimatize, and were the first sufferers from that mysterious epidemic which laid so many horses low at Newmarket. His two-year-olds were ruined by its effects, and Brown Prince, the best horse of the team after old Preakness, was left a roarer. Preakness was undoubtedly a good horse and very handsome, but his best days for racing had probably gone before he reached England, and although he managed to get second for the High Level Handicap with 122 lbs., and third in a weak Goodwood Cup field to Newmarket and Temple Bar, his mission, with the exception of walking over for £100 in lieu of the Brighton Cup, was a failure. He, too, then became the property of the Duke of Hamilton for I think, 3,000 guineas, and some of his yearlings may be brought to the hammer next season. Mate, another of the imported team, managed among other tries to win a couple of little races, besting single opponents only on each occasion, and Bay Final won the Dullingham Handicap in two successive years, after a dead heat with Broadside on the first occasion. Start has shown herself more of the sort to win races with, and is a square-built, powerful mare, the very ideal for a stud matron. She has managed to get her head first in fairly good company, the three races she won last year being the Beaufort Stakes at

Leicester, Brown Prince failed to get in the race, three, while his form in the St. Leger was equally moderate. He may consequently be esteemed a lucky horse in getting second for the 2,000 Guineas. Taken all together, therefore, the experiment of Mr. Sanford cannot be deemed encouraging for other American sportsmen, although as excuse it must be admitted that in the mishaps of training, and the ills to which horse-flesh is heir, the transatlantic team has experienced considerable drawbacks and Littlefield has had a host of trouble in his task of trainer. It was the opinion of Mr. Ten Broeck's trainer, Pryor, that the best American thoroughbreds were fully fourteen pounds behind the best English, and it would seem as though the same standard now held good, judged at least through Mr. Sanford's horses. Their trotters, who have been imported by scores into this country, keep up their supremacy for that especial mode of progression, but the same rule does not hold good with their racers. Fortunately Mr. Sanford is a wealthy man, and the matter has simply been an interesting experiment to him, while with better luck and better horses the next who ventures across the "big herring pond" with a representative team of racers may succeed in more marked degree than have the bearers of the dark blue banner with which Preakness opened the battle and Start concluded it. Meanwhile Start will remain as a legacy for the Duke of Hamilton to breed from.

Another authority says that the Duke of Hamilton paid 1,000 guineas for Start and that Mr. Sanford will not entirely retire from the English turf, but that the yearlings sent over last July will be trained for him by Mr. W. Arnall, the well-known Newmarket trainer. This seems to be a correct statement, as in the last Calendar Mr. Sanford makes nominations both for the 2,000 and 1,000 Guineas to be run in 1880, while he has several nominations in the Middle Park Plate in 1879. Among other nominations for the Guineas for 1880 are several by Mr. Pierre Lorillard, who names Geraldine, Cherokee, Nereid and Pappoose for the 2,000 Guineas, and Geraldine, Nereid and Pappoose for the 1,000 Guineas. Mr. Addison Camack, of New York, also names his colt Neuchatel, by imported Strachino, dam Eclipse, for the Middle Park Plate and 2,000 Guineas.

DEATH OF SHELLY MANN.

Many will learn with deep regret of the death of Mr. Shelly Mann, which took place on Sunday, Nov. 10th, at the residence of his mother in this city, in the 35th year of his age. The deceased was a practical printer, studied law and graduated in the Kentucky University Law School in 1866. After practising his profession a short time he abandoned it to accept the position of local editor on the Observer and Reporter, which position he held until the Stock company sold out the paper. When the Kentucky Live Stock Record was started, he was on the editorial staff, which position he held for two years. For the past two years his health has been on the decline; first he was a great sufferer from acute rheumatism, which was followed by a bronchial affection, and this culminated into a rapid case of consumption, of which he died.

He was extremely fond of turf literature and turf sports, and few were better posted upon turf matters. In connection with his brother they owned and ran successfully the grey colt London, by Lightning, dam Ziegari, by Star Davis, and afterwards sold him to Capt. T. G. Moore; also bay colt Mephisto, by Ulverston, dam Kate McDonald.

Possessed of a clear intellect, of a genial and social disposition, generous and liberal, he was a great favorite with his friends, and few men have ever lived who were warmer and more tenacious in attachments and friendship. His early death in the prime of life, leaves a void that will be hard to fill in the hearts of those who knew him best.—Ky. Live Stock Record.

ISAAC WOODRUFF.—This veteran trainer is now handling the stock of Gen. J. W. Singleton, and others, at Quincy, Ill., and has some very fine young ones, which he believes will be heard from next season. He is a careful and experienced trainer, and we are pleased to hear of his success.

FIRST SQUAD.	
W Stroad, Hamilton.....	0111101110-7
R Buttrum, ".....	1111001010-6
Geo Rogers, St Catharines....	11010 10-7
W Manett, Dundas.....	10101 10-5
Proctor, ".....	11010 11-7
W S Fletcher, St Catharines....	1011 1100-6
SECOND SQUAD.	
Harwood, Woodstock.....	1111111100-8
W North, Hamilton.....	1011011110-7
Grant, Woodstock.....	1011100111-7
G Featherstone, Paris.....	0112000110-4
F D Bates, Hamilton.....	1010111111-8
W Buttrum, ".....	1000000000-9
J Buttrum, ".....	1110100111-7
A Chidley, ".....	1111011101-8
THIRD SQUAD.	
F Morrison, Hamilton.....	0111111110-8
C Cook, ".....	1010011111-7
A Bawday, ".....	0111010111-7
H Addison, ".....	0100001000-2
J Johnson, ".....	1110111111-9
G Chatterback, ".....	0000000000-0
J Johnson, Burlington.....	1010000000-2
Barns, ".....	1000000000-1
Dr Richards, ".....	1111000101-6

SHOOTING OFF TIES FOR SECOND PRIZE.

Bates, Hamilton.....	101110100-5
Harwood, Woodstock.....	100110011-4
Chidley, ".....	011100010-4
Morrison, ".....	110010010-4

At the close the lucky competitors were awarded the prizes as follows: J Johnson, Hamilton, \$45; F Bates, 2nd, \$25; 3rd, Mr Harwood, \$15; the 4th and 5th prizes were divided between Messrs Morrison and Chidley, each taking \$7.50 each.

POPPING AT ST. CATHERINES.

A shot took place at St. Catharines on Monday last between the following teams:—

Geo Rogers.....	100101-3	C Hunter.....	111111-6
B Carlisle ..	101200-2	W Wilson.....	111101-5
R Bishops ..	111101-5	G Ayers ..	110000-2
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It is the intention of the St. Catharines Gun Club to hold a pigeon shooting tournament in about two weeks.

James Cook, aged eighteen, of Long Branch, has just recovered from a violent attack of hydrophobia.

A pigeon shooting contest took place at St. Catharines on the 14th inst. between Mr. J. Rees, of that city, and Mr. F. Reed, of Grantham, ten birds a side. Reed killed eight and Rees missed every shot.

Seth G. escaped rather a narrow escape from a very serious accident the other day, and we are nearly glad that we have nothing more serious to relate than the following misstep: He was returning from an excursion to St. Clair Flats, and stopped at a country hotel. It seems that the stairs in the institution were not provided with a railing, and arising in the morning before daylight, he was feeling his way along in the dark, when suddenly one foot went down and he fell headlong, striking on his shoulder and his elbow. Of course he was considerably bruised by the fall, but fortunately no serious results are apprehended.

CHICAGO NOTES.—Bemis, the brewer, who owns Bonesetter and Gray Eagle, has now bought the brown gelding Frank, of Van Ness & Hibbard; these people are doing considerable business with Bemis.—Jere Dann will use his gelding, Bob Ingersoll, on the turf next season; he has beaten 2:30, and bids fair to outrival Lady Alice or Udell, both having beaten 2:30, and both the property of Mr. Dunn.

May 18, Live Oaks vs Active, of Hamilton.....	11
" 24, Live Oaks vs Athletics, of Hamilton.....	11
July 1, Live Oaks vs Stars, of Grant, at Grant.....	11 23
" 6, Live Oaks vs Active, of Hamilton, at Hamilton.....	9 16
" 23, Live Oaks vs Stars, of Grant, at Hamilton.....	2 11
Aug 16, Live Oaks vs Active, of Hamilton, at Hamilton.....	9 0
" 16, Live Oaks vs Hot Irons, of Hamilton, at Hamilton.....	10 1
" 21, Live Oaks vs Brown stockings, of Hamilton, at Hamilton.....	7 3
Sept 11, Live Oaks vs Stars, of Grant, at Galt.....	6
77 52	

* Claimed by the Live Oaks for the Active, being the diamond in the first minute of the Oaks' second 11 runs.

Curling.

CONTRIBUTOR.—At the regular monthly meeting of the Waverley Curling Club, the following gentlemen were elected officers for the coming year:—Patron, J. K. Cameron, Esq.; Chaplain, Rev S S Neale, D D, President, P McCallum, Jr, Vice President, W Hargraff, M P P; Secretary Treasurer, E A MacNaughtan; Committee of Management, Jas Wood, Dr Domet, John Greenwood and W Saunders.

BARRIE.—The following are the next term officers of this Club elected at the annual meeting:—Patron, John McLean; President, J McL Stevenson; Vice-President, G W Lount; Representative Members, Dr McConkey and David Walker, Secretary Treasurer, Dr McConkey; Chaplain, Rev J Leiper; Council of Management, Messrs Shortreed, Cotter, Ross and Brown; Honorary Members, E S Lally, Wm Lount, Q C, D'Alton McCarthy, Q C, M P; H R A Boys, Robt Simpson. The skips for the year were chosen as follows, Messrs Leiper, G W Lount, Shortreed and Stevenson.

WINNIPEG.—At a late meeting of the Manitoba Curling Club the following officers were elected:—Patron, Hon A G B Bannatyne; President, John Balsillie; Vice-President, Thos Howard; Secretary Treasurer, E G Conklin; Committee of Management—Ald Brown, G D McVie, D Young, A F Edin and Rice Howard; Skips—Ald Brown, G D McVie, Jas Macdonald, Thos Howard.

THOROUGHBREDS FOR DEMERARA

Mr. Gustav H Richter, firm of Welling & Richter, Demerara, British Guiana, has been on a visit to Baltimore, Md., has recently purchased and shipped to Demerara the following thoroughbred stock:

- Culpepper, b h, foaled 1871, by Revolver, dam Gentle Annie by Ringgold; 2nd dam Anna Farris, by Altor, out of Phoebe, by Prince Richard, &c.
- Love Chase, ch m, foaled 1873, by imp Leamington, dam Henrietta Welch, by Colton, 2nd dam Lady Sherrod, by imp. Sovereign, out of Mary B, by imp. Glencoe, &c.
- Blondelle, ch f, foaled 1874, by imp. Bonnie Scotland, dam Bonnah, by Lexington; 2nd dam Eureka, by imp. Glencoe, out of imp. Heads or Tails, by Lottery.
- Enterpe, b f, foaled 1874, by Vanuxhall, dam Eugenia, by Eugene; 2nd dam Nina by Boston, out of imp. Frolicsome Fanny, by Lottery, &c.
- By-and-By, ch f, foaled 1876, by Village Blacksmith, dam Trunket, by Two Bits; 2nd dam Fancy, by Garrison's Zinfance, out of Mary Granville, by Sir Charles, &c.

The animals are all well bred, and will form the nucleus of a racing stable and stud in Demerara. We sincerely trust that Mr. Richter will in time reap the reward of his enterprise in this undertaking.