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ON THE RUNNING TURF.

Sir Walter Wins at Brighton Beach—Interesting Races and Another Big Crowd.

BRIGHTON BEACH, July 10.—Another big crowd saw some of the most interesting races of the year. One of the surprises of the day was a remarkable plunge on Lifeboat in the first race, the betting dropping in a very short time from 60 to 1 to 7 to 1. The colt got well away and looked a sure winner, but finally dropped back in the bunch and was badly beaten by Melba, with the favorite, Mr. Sass, second. There were only three starters in the principal event of the day, the fourth race, which was won by Sir Walter by half a length from Ducat. Results:

First race, 7-8 mile—Melba, 105 (Hamilton), 4-1, 1; Mr. Sass, 114 (Taral), 4-1, 2; Lifeboat, 110 (Lendrum), 7-1, 3. Time 1.29 1-2.

Second race, 1 1-16 miles—Joe Ripley, 110 (7-5), 1; Long Dale, 120 (Taral), 7-10, 2; Diabolus, 102 (Hamilton), 30-1, 3. Time 1.50. Milan, Charter, Daly, Edith, Rama, The Bully also ran.

Third race, ¾ mile—Tinge, 103 (Blake), 6-1, 1; Kennel, 108 (Simms), 25-1, 2; The Commoner, 110 (Midgley), 3-5, 3. Time 1.17. Southside, Pontlear, Ettarre, St. Vincent also ran.

Fourth race, 1½ miles—Sir Walter, 124 (Doggett), 2-5, 1; Ducat, 111 (Martin), 12-5, 2; Lizzie, 94 (Keefe), 20-1, 3. Time 1.55.

Fifth race, 1 mile—Sandowne, 102 (McDermott), 8-1, 1; Chattanooga, 102 (Doggett), 8-5, 2; Tom Skidmore, 107 (Griffin), 5-1, 3. Time 1.43. Vestibule, Bolero, Tom Finley, Addie, Eaufelda, Fantasia, Best Brand, Little Bravado also ran.

Sixth race, 1 mile—Marshall, 106 (Simms), even, 1; Tiny Tim, 102 (Tribe), 10-1, 2; Chief Jutsice, 109 (Midgley), 10-1, 3. Time 1.43. Watch Charm, Billy S., Vespasian, Topgallant, Pocahontas, Hartford also ran.

Second Day in the Grand Circuit.

SAGINAW, July 10.—The second day's racing of the Grand Circuit was cut short by rain. Neither of the two races started was finished.

In the 2.19 trot Elfrida had the first and third heats in 2.17½ and Don Lowell the second heat in 2.14¾.

In the 3 minute trot Expressive won the first heat in 2:17½, Monte Christo taking the next two in slow time.

Harness Horses At St Catharines.

ST. CATHARINES, July 10.—3-minute class—Nettie D. 1, Bryson 2, Alecia C. 3, Senator 4, King Forest dis. Time—2.26 1-2 2.27, 2.25 3-4.

Local pace and trot—Little Arthur 1, Marguerite 2, William N. 3, Col. Stanton 4. Gen. Sherman, Robert Welsh, Edwin S., Ed Hanlan, Josephine and Dan C. also started. Time—2.44 1-2, 2.42 1-2, 2.38, 2.38 1-4, 2.40.

Racing Gossip.

General Hardee, with W. P. S. Nichols up, showed a 2.30 clip to road wagon at Belmont yesterday.

Jockey Ray was yesterday set down by the Washington Park stewards for the rest of the meeting.

Perkins rode three winners at Chicago yesterday, including Lehman in the stake race.

Maggie S. won the yearling trot, Sixty-Six the 2.30 class, McLane the 2-year-old purse and Comet the 2.40 pace on the opening day of the Grand Circuit at Saginaw.

William R. Babcock, 68 years old, Superintendent of the Linden Park Blood Horse Association at Lindon, and official timer at all the race tracks under the jurisdiction of the Jockey Club, died suddenly Monday afternoon at the Linden track, where he had lived since the opening of the course. Apoplexy was the cause of death. He was the official timer at the Sheepshead races on Saturday last. He was well known among the sporting fraternity of this country and England, and was very popular.

Bicycle Briefs.

Royal Canadian Bicycle Club wheelmen take a run this evening, leaving the club house at 7.30 o'clock.

At the semi-monthly meeting of the Royal Canadian Bicycle Club six new members were elected. It was decided to hold a garden party at an early date, and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

The Athenæum's novice race, the first event on the card, will start at Rosedale on Saturday at 2 o'clock. Johnson will endeavor to lower the Canadian record, when he will be paced by the Boston team, Burton and Caulder, on a tandem.

The Ramblers Bicycle Club members will take a short run this evening, meeting at the club house at 7.30, returning at 8.30 for a meeting called to adopt a constitution and bylaws drawn out by the Bylaw Committee on Monday night, also other important business. All members are urgently requested to be on hand.

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VIGILANT SHOULD BE SATISFIED.

Britannia Administers Another Drubbing to the Yankee Yacht—Won By 9 Min. 30 Secs.

GLASGOW, July 10.—To day's contest for the Clyde Corinthian Cup, valued at £60, while ostensibly sailed by amateur skippers, was practically a professional event. Mr. W. J. Jamieson was at the tiller of the Britannia and Nat Herreshoff was at that of the Vigilant, but they were advised by the racing skippers of their craft. The Britannia was again victorious. The winds were mostly very light and variable and it was really almost as inconclusive a battle as that on Monday. The gentle force of the wind is indicated by the fact that the Britannia covered the 50-mile course in 7 hours 45 minutes and 5 seconds. There was much light-air sailing, some drifting and a bit of real racing in a modest breeze. The Britannia won the cup by 6 minutes and 30 elapsed time and 9 minutes and 30 seconds corrected time.

It is regarded here as improbable that in ordinary weather the Vigilant will ever be able to worst her antagonist over the 50-mile course with eight turns, where success depends so largely on quick handling. The hope of the Americans is that they will have a chance soon to meet the Britannia in an outside race to windward and back or the reverse.

The Wind Was Light.

There was hardly enough breeze to give the yachts steerage way when the preparatory gun was fired. Interest in the race was undiminished, and the throngs afloat in all kinds of craft, ashore on foot, and in carriages and on bicycles were just as large as on the first day. At the flash of the gun the racers were drifting drearily back of the line. The Vigilant had bent on her old mainsail which she used in her splendid tussle with the Valkyrie in America, but it did not contribute any more to her success than her new canvas. The Britannia drifted against the baffling air four minutes before she succeeded in making a start. Two minutes and a half later, or at 10.36.30, the Vigilant lazily drifted over the line. Both yachts carried jib topsails and clubsails. They started off on the starboard tack toward the Cloch shore. The Vigilant had crossed the line on the port tack and gone about a moment later, when she got well under way. The breeze was from the south and it was, therefore, a dead beat down the channel. The yachts went about under the Cloch shore and stood for the opposite shore on the port tack. The Vigilant led in the tacking and the Briton followed immediately. In the freshening breeze the Briton had lost some of her weather advantage.

Short Tacks Necessary.

The Vigilant stood over towards the Cloch shore again and the Britannia did likewise. The boards were short and when the yachts came about again they strove to fetch Skelmorlie on the starboard tack. Another short tack was necessary to accomplish this. They rounded the mark boat thus: Britannia 11.58.55, Vigilant 12.01.35. In the beat to Skelmorlie the Vigilant had lost about 10 seconds. In the reach, close hauled to Ascog, the Britannia had increased her lead 1 minute and 26 seconds. Her time of rounding Ascog mark boat was 12.31.31; Vigilant 12.35.19. In the run diagonally to Kilcreggan, spinnakers were set to port. Vigilant crept up, although her enormous piece of muslin was not drawing well and just after passing Innellen she forged to the front. She held the lead for about two miles, when the wind, which always favors the yacht astern, increased slightly and the Britannia came up abeam of the Vigilant and passed her off Cloch Point. At Kilcreggan mark there was only 29 seconds between the yachts.

Vigilant Gained Up the Channel.

The Britannia rounded at 2.08.52. The Vigilant had gained 3 minutes and 42 seconds in the run up the channel. On the 3¾ mile broad reach from Kilcreggan to the starting point off Hunter's Quay the Briton picked up 24 seconds and was thus 53 seconds ahead. Time, Britannia 2.30.35; Vigilant 2.31.28. In the beat down the channel to Skelmorlie on the second round there was a suggestion of real racing. The breeze strengthened to about 8 knots and the yachts got a decided move on them. They headed for Ashton. The Vigilant forced the Britannia to go about several times. Britannia kept in shore, her skipper probably expecting to get there a favorable start. The beat was made in a series of short legs. The Britannia, being handier in going about, gained many seconds by forcing the Vigilant, somewhat slower in stays, to tack frequently. The Britannia added 27 seconds to her lead as she rounded the mark at Skelmorlie. Time: Britannia 3.50.40, Vigilant 3.52.00. The Britannia rounded the Kilcreggan mark at 5.56.20, Vigilant 6.01.25. The Britannia had gained 2 minutes and 37 seconds in the run. In the broad reach home the Britannia increased her lead by 1 minute and 25 seconds. She crossed the finish line at 6.15.05; Vigilant 6.21.33. The Vigilant was worsted at every point of sailing and drifting.

The St. Thomas' Victorious Again.

The St. Thomas (Toronto junior) Cricket Club defeated the Parkdale Juniors on Trinity Lawn Monday afternoon by 39 to 38 in the first innings. In the second Parkdale closed their innings at the fall of the seventh wicket for 63 runs, and the St. Thomas got 65 runs for 5 wickets. Score:

St. Thomas (39 and 65): H. McVity, b Lightfoot, 8; b Massie, 1; Gzowski, c Ridout, b Chambers, 2; b Chambers, 1; Edwards, run out, 3; run out, 5; McMurtry, c Lightfoot, b Chambers, 1; not out, 34; Spragge, b Massie, 10; c Ridout, b Chambers, 6; Marks, b Chambers, 4; c Dean, b Chambers, 4; Fisher, b Chambers, 3; Kent, b Massie, 0; Dinnick, not out, 1; not out, 12; F. McVity, b Massie, 0; Birchall, b Massie, 0; extras, 7 and 2.

Parkdale Juniors (38 and 63 for 7): Lightfoot, b Marks, 3; b Edwards, 11; Chambers, c and b McVity, 26; c McMurtry, b Fisher, 12; E. Dean, b Marks, 0; b Fisher, 9; Wadsworth, b Marks, 0; b McVity, 0; P. Dean, b McVity, 3; b Edwards, 11; Matthews, b McVity, 0; b Edwards, 0; N. Ridout, Fisher b Marks, 3; b Edwards, 9; R. Massie, b McVity, 0; R. Barton, b McVity, 1; H. Ridout, not out, 0; Archer, run out, 0; extras 2 and 6.

Western Athletics Win.

An interesting Association football match at Dufferin Park last evening between the Queen City's and Western Athletics resulted in favor of the Athletics by 1 goal to 0.

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YALE AND OXFORD.

Uncle Sam's Athletic Representatives Have a Chance.

Now that the Oxford and Yale meeting is definitely arranged simply immense is the excitement evinced in both countries, and 'tis not hyperbole to deem it "the athletic meeting of the century." One thing is certain, the Queen's Club authorities will have made special preparations for the enormous crowd which will foregather from all parts, as they assuredly will. President Oakley is keeping his men well in hand, and next week I hope to speak more definitely of their selected training ground, not yet chosen. For the "Hundred" Messrs. W. Jordan and C. B. Fry will represent the Dark Blues, with G. F. Sanford and A. Pond (Yale) in opposition. Judging from records all four are about 10 2-5 men, but much faster time will be required on the day or I am mistaken. W. O. Hickock and A. Brown (Yale) will oppose Messrs. Robertson and Malings (Oxford) in the weight and hammer, but these events are "morals" for the Yankees on previous form. Hickock figures out with 42ft. 9in. (weight) and 125ft. (hammer), and as his contrere is very near this, wondrous improvement must be made by the Oxonians to withstand it. Jordan (Oxford) and Sanford (Yale) are pretty evenly matched in the quarter, either having got close on to 50s., but the former won so easily against Cambridge that he should attain "evens" at least. The mile looks a good thing for Oxford, as W. H. Greenhow accomplished 4m. 22s., whereas J. E. Morgan (Yale) occupied 4m. 31 2-5s. time, which Hildyard (Oxford's second string) should reach. Per contra, the half-mile looks equally good business for Yale, as W. S. Woodhull got home in the fine time of 1m. 59 4-5s. Greenhow took 2m. 2s. to complete the distance at the University sports, and I don't fancy he would ever beat level time, although a 'flyer.' The high jump should easily go to Oxford, as Swanwick will 'top' 6ft. if required, whereas 5ft. 10½in. is the best recorded for either Yale man. Most folk naturally jump to the conclusion that the long jump is, of all events, the greatest certainty for C. B. Fry, who holds the world's record with 23ft. 6½in. But L. P. Sheldon (Yale) is credited with over 23 feet on several occasions, so that jumping extraordinary should ensue and further breaking of records galore. President Oakley (Oxford) will greatly improve upon his 16 3-5 for the hurdles, as he will have to do in all conscience, for E. H. Cady (Yale) not only equalled 16 seconds dead in the spring but is credited with 15 4-5 seconds on no less than three occasions. Many will smile, I know, at this eye-opener, yet I have it on the best authority that Cady has few equals in America at hurdling, and that these figures are absolutely correct. This brief (preliminary) outline of respective form will show that every event will be intensely interesting and worth a day's journey to witness.—London Sporting Life.

The Baseball Results.

National League: At Baltimore 9, Pittsburg 19; Mullane-McMahon-Clarke, Ehret-Merritt. At Cleveland 23, Washington 4; Young-Zimmer, Esper-Dugdale. At Cincinnati 7, New York 3; Dwyer-Murphy, Meekin-Farrell. At Chicago 3, Boston 12; McGill-Schriver, Stivitts-Ryan. At Louisville 13, Brooklyn 7; Menafee-Weaver, Daub-Gastright-Dailey-Lachance. At St. Louis 17, Philadelphia 8; Breitenstein-Miller, Haddock-Callahan-Carsey-Buckley-Crady.

Eastern League: At Springfield 8, Providence 6; Vickery-Leahy, Sullivan-Dixon. At Troy 15, Syracuse 9; Devlin-Cahill, Barnett-Hess. At Binghamton 12, Wilkesbarre 1; Delaney-Rafter, Quarles-Warner. At Buffalo 5, Erie 13; Doran-Hoffer-Doran-Urquhart, McGinnis-Herndon-Berger.

Baseball Brevities.

The British American Business College nine would like to arrange a match with any of the following teams for Saturday next: G.T.R., Bell Telephone, Gowans-Kent or any of the wholesale trades. Address, E. G. Burley, Business College, Confederation Life Building.

The Classic Baseball Club would like to arrange a match, average age 17, for Saturday. Address W. F. Breen, 17 Lombard-street, city.

A meeting of the Stars will be held in the club rooms, 197 Dovercourt-road, at 8 o'clock Thursday evening. All members are urgently requested to attend.

The game at Cobourg yesterday between Bowmanville and Cobourg clubs was well contested until the end of the sixth inning, when the score was 4 to 4. In the seventh and eighth innings Bowmanville went to pieces, and the game went in Cobourg's favor 13—6. Batteries—Wood-Blanchford, Wilcox-Simmonds.

Chuck Jackman, at the head of an aggregation of North End merchants, will play a team of ball-playing merchants from another section of the North this afternoon on Ketchum Park. Jackman-Lennox will probably be in the points for the Far North.

The following will comprise the teams this afternoon on the Exhibition Grounds between J. J. Ward's employes and the Kickapoo Indians: Ward's—Holden c, A. Ward p, M. J. Ward 1b, J. J. Ward 2b, T. E. Ward 3b, Wons ss, G. W. Ward rf, Allan cf, Earls lf. Kickapoo Indians—Decorah c, Green Snake p, Thief's Son 1b, Spotted Tail 2b, Kill 3b, Earn Crow ss, Chic Chumsey lf, Scratching Bear cf, Struck by a Crow rf.

Over the Nets.

Lawn tennis matches played yesterday on the Toronto Club courts resulted: Handicap singles—Kirkpatrick (owes 15) beat Ridout (rec. ½ 15) 6-3, 6-2; Boys (awes ½ 40) beat Small (rec. ½ 20) 6-2, 6-3; Stewart (owes 30) beat Osborne (scratch) 6-0, 6-3; Gault (rec. ½ 15) beat Cameron (scratch) 6-4, 3-6, 6-0; Anderson (scratch) beat Jones (owes 15) 6-1, 6-3; Gosling (rec. 30) beat Benjamin (scratch) 6-4, 6-3; Baldwin (scratch) beat Smythe (rec. 15) 7-9, 7-5, 8-6; Lefroy (rec. ½ 15) beat Buchanan (rec. 15) 6-3, 6-4. Open singles—Mackenzie beat Griffin 8-6, 1-6, 6-3; Stewart beat Moreton 6-3, 6-3; Avery beat Kerr 6-1, 6-1; Boys beat Gillespie 6-1, 6-2; Miss Hague beat Miss Hay 6-3, 6-1. Doubles—Matthews and Moreton beat Blaikie and Cameron 6-4, 5-1.

Athletic and General Notes.

The Mississippi Valley and Missouri Valley Rowing Association will hold their annual amateur regatta in August next at Burlington Park, four miles from Alton, Illinois.

The H. P. Davies Co. will hold an open blue rock shoot under Mr. McDowall's direction at Coxwell-avenue grounds commencing at 2 p.m. to-day.

A movement is on foot to boom boxing on the Pacific Slope. Efforts are to be made to organize a club, to be called the Pacific East Athletic Club, and have a license granted, so that the organization can offer purses.

It is reported that a movement is on foot to hold a professional single-scull regatta at Saratoga in September, and invitations are to be sent to Sullivan, Harding, Emmett, Bubear and East to come over and measure spruces against American oarsmen. A double-scull race is also proposed.

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Charged With Theft of Money.

Constable Clegg of Gorrie came to the city yesterday in search of Alfred Williams, who was wanted on a charge of stealing $40 from Thomas McLaughlin of that village. Detective Burrows found the young man and turned him over to the constable, who took him home last night.

INSIST ON THE SENATE BILL.

DANGER-POINT OF THE U. S. TARIFF MEASURE NOT PASSED.

Senators on the Conference Committee Declare That Any Change From the Senate Amendments Will Imperil the Entire Bill—The House Shows a Disposition to Accede.

WASHINGTON, July 10.—The Conference Committee on the Tariff bill has accomplished but little yet, none of the important schedules having been considered. There is some trouble in the committee. Enough is known to show that the Senate conferees are holding out for the Senate bill and that no receding from the amendments passed by the Senate will be considered for a moment. It is understood that the managers of the bill in the Senate appreciate the fact that the danger point has not been passed and that any effort to give away in conference the amendments made in the Senate would cause the loss of votes that were held in line by the amendments that were put on the bill.

A Disposition to Accede.

A careful canvass of the situation in the House shows that there is a disposition there to accede to the Senate amendments for the reason that the belief has been impressed upon the leaders that such a line must be followed or the fate of the bill in its entirety will be imperilled.

Possible Compromise.

Mr. Bryan of Nebraska, when asked about the probable result of the conference, said:

"We shall get a bill a little better than the Senate bill, but not so good as the Wilson bill. The conference means a compromise."

INTERCOLONIAL DELEGATES.

Another Section Arrived in Toronto From Ottawa Last Night.

Under the tutelage of Senator Sanford and W. J. Huddard a section of the Intercolonial delegates' party arrived in the city last night from Ottawa.

The party registered at the Queen's consists of:

Sir Charles Mills, Sir Henry and Lady Wrixon, Miss Wrixon, Arthur Wrixon, London, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. Simon Fraser, Miss Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Melbourne, Australia; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smith, New Zealand; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Thynne, Brisbane, Australia; Sir Henry and Lady de Villiers, Miss de Villiers and C. P. de Villiers, Cape of Good Hope; T. Playford, South Australia; W. J. Haddard and Miss Huddard and Senator W. E. Sanford.

The party arrived by the C.P.R. at 7.45 p.m. and leave for Niagara at 7 o'clock this morning. The delegates express themselves as much pleased with Canada and her people. To-morrow morning the rest of the delegates will arrive.

Sir Henry Wrixon is an enthusiastic advocate of the Canada-Australia steamship line and commends the Dominion Government for its liberality to the Pacific line. He said that the results of the conference were eminently satisfactory and that undoubtedly closer trade relations would follow.

Suburban Notes.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Leslieville Presbyterian Church Christian Endeavor Society these officers were elected: President, F. S. Brickenden; vice-president, Miss Scott; treasurer, Miss Kelly; secretary, Miss Pashby; corresponding secretary, Miss Hall. The Rev. William Frizzell, Miss Hall and Miss Sullens were appointed delegates to the convention to be held in Cleveland.

In view of the recent decision of the East Toronto Village Council not to allow the Scarboro Electric Railway to change its route to Main-street, it is now believed that the company will not extend the line to Little York, as it would cost about $15,000, and it is said the increased traffic which such a line would secure would not begin to pay the interest on the investment for a number of years. Besides, all is not harmony within the company, as some of the directors are opposed to the proposed extension, while others are in favor of it. It is thought that the line will be extended to Queen-street to connect with the city line near Victoria Park. The time for extending the line to Little York expires on Aug. 1, and no move has been made to commence operations.

At the meeting of the Scarboro Council held at Woburn on Monday, County Engineer McDougall was instructed to call for tenders for a new steel bridge over the Rouge River at Milne's Mill.

The St. James' Hotel.

Yesterday Messrs. Scott & Housten, acting on behalf of Mrs. Hawley, proprietress of the new St. James' Hotel, obtained an injunction from Judge Street, restraining the creditors from selling or disposing of the goods or license. After an assignment had been made by Mr. Hawley last February Mrs. Hawley took charge of the business, giving a chattel mortgage to the creditors. The latter sought to distrain on Monday, but it is claimed by Mrs. Hawley that her signature was obtained to certain papers upon representations which were not fulfilled and that it was agreed that she should have an eight-months' extension and on these grounds the injunction was granted.

Local Jottings.

At the meeting of the Police Commissioners yesterday the resignation of Officer Lougead, No. 90, was accepted.

Be sure and go to the Falls with the Zion Church excursionists on Friday by steamer Chippewa and electric railway.

Mr. J. A. Hesketh, who has been in the County Engineer's office for some time, left last night for Montreal, where he will have charge of some masonry construction on the C.P.R.

Three suits of underwear were stolen from the front of Dunfield's furnishing store, Yonge-street, last evening. Two young men were seen by Watchman Burrows to snatch the goods. He gave chase to one and at Bay-street the thief dropped his booty, but got away.

The Grenadiers gave an excellent concert at Lorne Park yesterday afternoon. They will play again Saturday afternoon.

Leopold Kurtz, 185 York-street, has reported to the police that while his young son was lying dead in the house someone stole a diamond ring from a trunk in the room.

Joseph Bell, 538 Ontario-street, was painting a house in Mutual-street yesterday, when the ladder on which he was standing slipped, precipitating Bell to the ground. He alighted on a pile of stones and received a severe shaking up and sundry bruises.

Charles Watson and John Adams go to the Central for robbing the premises of Ellen Arnott, 498 Yonge-street.

For burglarizing the premises of James Dignum, Davisville, Edward Stevens was yesterday sent to prison for six months.

W. R. Hensel, the well-known bicyclist, was admitted to the General Hospital yesterday suffering from the effects of a fall from his wheel which he sustained Dominion Day.

Alfred Buchanan, who gave himself up to the police some time ago and stated that he had embezzled a sum of money from a firm in London, Eng., was let go, the charge of vagrancy not being sustained. The detective department wrote to London in reference to his case, but receiving no reply the magistrate concluded that he would not be justified in holding him any longer.

HOW TO MAKE A LAWN.

LAYING OUT OF THE ROADS, FLOWER BEDS AND TREES.

Preparations for Sowing the Seed—Getting Rid of the Troublesome Weed—A Mixed Fertilizer Will be Needed to Produce a Good Effect.

There are various kinds of lawns, each one exhibiting the special taste of the owner. There is a neat, quiet, unpretending, smoothly-shaven-green sward, without a break in it; and right opposite there may be another so cluttered up by flower beds, the variegated foliage plants, and dense shrubbery that one may hardly step without danger of treading upon some cherished bed of flowers or over-setting some of the many vases scattered about the ground. And sometimes one may see that forlorn sight of a plaster Venus exposed to the frosts and rains without the least protection from the weather, or those too conspicuous glaring red pots or kettles hung upon tripods in gipsy fashion, which are thought by some persons to be a triumph of rural landscape art. There is a happy mean between these extremes, and if the plain, verdant scope of clear grass were more common than it is, there would be little to complain of.

But this may be thought too simple and severe, and if so, its plainness may be easily offset by suitable shrubbery and beds of flowers, dispersed in such a manner as to preserve its naturalness and avoid every appearance of crowding. There will always be need for walks and paths on the lawn, and if there is but one and the direct way to the house, this should never be a straight one. It should be gently curved and winding, and the curves should always present some reason for them, a bed of flowers, here or there, a bush or a tree, will be an excuse for the graceful curving, and this will give the appearance of greater space to the lawn. The house should not be fully exposed to the road; it should have the front broken up by trees or shrubs so that the view from the house to the road may be varied, and from the road the view should be broken, so that the whole of it may not be seen from any one point.

Thus, the laying out of the roads and planting are to be done in harmony and in regard to each other. The planting may be laid out first, and the paths afterwards. But in any case, the perfect fitness of things is to be studied from the first, remembering that a brush or tree may be moved, but the paths not so easily. A small lawn should have no large trees in it, and only small shrubs are required. But as the planting is secondary to the grassing of the surface, this should be considered first, the planting being considered separately.

If the ground is level it should first be evenly smoothed, and the soil enriched by a liberal quantity of manure or fertilizer that is free from weed seeds. Weeds are the special trouble of the lawn-maker, and they are avoided most easily by the use of a good compost made as follows in place of manure: Any quantity of swamp muck, or similar vegetable matter, tannery waste, or other waste of manufactories of any kind, or good soil from a well-cultivated field mixed with wood ashes, and air-slaked lime, or land plaster, is heaped and left to ferment for a few weeks, after which it may be plowed into the land, not less than one wagon-load to four square rods being used. The surface is then thoroughly harrowed and made fine and mellow. The seed is then sown, as early in the spring as may be, or during the summer.

This is very important, for the kind of grasses used makes the lawn. The typical grass is Kentucky blue grass, which has a fine green color, is hardy, stands dry and wet weather, has a fine herbage, withstands frequent cutting, and has creeping roots that soon fill the ground. It also grows well under the shade of trees. But it is of slow growth. A mixture is therefore more desirable, and the more kinds there are in it, so that all are suitable, the better. The lawn mixtures made up by the seedmen are not suitable to all soils, and as a rule a better effect may be had in the least time by a home made mixture of the following kinds: For one acre, 15 lbs. of Kentucky blue grass, 20 lbs. of red top, 15 of creeping bent, 10 lbs. of meadow fescue, 5 of sweet vernal and 2 lbs. of white clover. The vernal grass has that sweet vanilla-like odor which is so pleasant, and while apt to bunch it is prevented from this by frequent mowing, which as may be said here, is the sine qua non of a good and well-kept lawn. It is the fashion just now, and perhaps to be encouraged, to have the lawn well stocked with dandelions, on account of their really pretty golden flowers early in the spring. And if they ever become too numerous they may be cut and used acceptably as an early greens for the table. But there is no need to sow seed for these; the summer winds will soon do the sowing.

The grass seed is sown first one way then crosswise of the first, and again crosswise, so as to get an even distribution of it on the surface. It is then raked in by hand, the ground is then rolled, and raked again. The surface should be made so compact that the foot will not sink in it. This is necessary at the start to preserve the evenness of it. As soon as the seed is sown it is advisable to spread evenly in the same way the seed was sown at least 500 pounds to the acre of mixed fertilizer, commonly known as the complete manure, which is made as a substitute for stable manure and contains every needed element of plant food.

Then the planting should be laid out. The paths should have been made previously. To do this a long cord and a number of pegs a foot long are required. The shape of the beds is a matter of minor importance and depends on the position of them. A curved one may be made on the border of the path and should be long and narrow. A plain round one may be in the center of a space of green. A star-shaped one is also suitable for a center. Those for single shrubs should be round and two or three feet in diameter. Trees may stand in the grass, and these should be placed on the exposed sides of the lawn where shelter from the winds may be desirable.

No Money in Coffee Now.

"Fact is," said the grocer, "there's no money in coffee nowadays." "That's a comfort," replied the customer, "but there's most everything else in it. In the last pound I got there were eight beans, three peas, six shingle nails and a handful of gravel stones."—Boston Transcript.

Wheat Bran as a Fertilizer.

Wheat bran makes an excellent fertilizer, but it pays to use it as feed first, and then save the manure in a manner so as to preserve it without loss.

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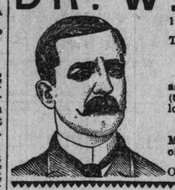
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FACTS IN FEW WORDS.

A race horse clears from 20 to 24 feet at a bound.

The heart of a Greenland whale is a yard in diameter.

The coal fields of the United States cover 194,000 square miles.

The king of Dahomey was educated in France and speaks French fluently.

The mean annual temperature of the Arctic regions is below 30 degrees Fahrenheit.

The value of the steel manufactured in the United States every year is about $500,000,000.

An elephant is fifty or sixty years in attaining maturity, and will live a century and a half.

If a snail's head be cut off and the animal placed in a cool, moist spot a new head will be grown.

The water that pours over the falls of Niagara is wearing the rock away at the rate of five yards in four years.

After a courtship of two hours James Wood and Miss Mary Stewart were married recently near Youngstown, O.

A Cleveland contractor has undertaken to move a stone house weighing 5,500 tons, basement and all, a distance of sixty feet.

In 1813 William Burton patented a locomotive that was provided with legs and feet behind to push the machine along the track.

It is about thirty miles across town in London and for thatentire distance there is said to be an unbroken line of residences and stores.

Chicago has a Domestic Science Association, which proposes to build an institution where women will be instructed in home duties.

Arthur Bentz, a 6-year-old boy of Lebanon, Pa., died from the effects of swallowing a tadpole, which his little companion had forced into his mouth.

It is estimated that foreign stocks amounting to $3,819,035,000 are held in Great Britain, and the interest receivable from them $145,000,000 per annum.

The tail of the kangaroo is the fleshiest part of the animal. It is considered dainty food when boiled in its own skin, which afterward may be drawn off like a glove.

Since Denmark established dairy schools and made a science of butter-making 100,000,000 pounds of butter have been exported from the country annually.

At Washington there is a list of all the known anarchists in the world, and their place of residence when last heard from. The French Government has a similar list.

Street bands are not permitted in Germany unless they accompany processions. In Vienna the organ grinders are allowed to play only between midday and sunset.

Mrs. Frederick Duppen, of Cincinnati, has just learned that seventeen years ago Frederick Miller made a remark derogatory of her character, and has entered a suit for slander.

Mourners at Persian funerals are furnished with little wads of cotton with which to wide away their tears. The tears are then preserved and are supposed to contain restorative qualities in case of fainting.

Taking the earth as the center of the universe and the polar star as the limit of our vision, the visible universe embraces an aerial space with a diameter of 420,000,000,000 miles and a circumference of 1,329,742,000,000 miles.

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COLONIES STILL PROTEST

Against the Death Duties in the Harcourt Budget.

LONDON, July 10.—The Colonial representatives in London have addressed another letter to the Marquis of Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies, protesting against levying of death duties upon the colonial property of persons domiciled in the United Kingdom. They contend that Sir William Harcourt's new clause in the Budget bill does not meet the objections made by the Colonial representatives, holding that properties against which death duties are chargeable in the colonies must be exempt from similar duties in the United Kingdom.

NON-CONTAGIOUS PNEUMONIA.

Prof. Nocard, of Paris Agrees With Dr. Smith That Our Animals Are Healthy.

LONDON, July 10.—Dr. Andrew Smith, the well-known veterinary expert of Toronto, who is now in London, says he has seen Professor Nocard of Paris, the leading pathological authority in France, in regard to the al