

To have reliable information that Harriman would pay New York a visit, and endeavor to not only Vaughn's record, but his own. We promise the athlete this much—if he should visit his record will surely stand.—  
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### CHALLENGE FROM W. E. HARDING.

I am prepared to make the following three races: I will match Wm. E. Harding to a fair heel and toe, a distance of from fifty to one hundred miles, against any man in the United States or the British Provinces, from \$100 to \$500 a side. The race will take place six weeks from date of signing articles. I will match Harding to ride a bicycle, any size and distance to one hundred miles, for \$100 a side; the race to take place six weeks from date of signing articles. I will also match Harding to run three miles, ride a bicycle twenty miles and walk twenty-five miles, against any man in America; all three events to constitute one race, and the winner of two out of three events to win the stakes, \$500 a side. A reply to my proposition will be speedily attended to in a business-like manner.

Yours respectfully,  
JAMES McCLLOUD.

McIvor, of Montreal, is placed on the 81 yard mark for the 211 yards Shrovetide handicap to be run at Hyde Park, Sheffield, on March 4 and 5.

Miss Bertie Le Franc completed a walk of thirty miles in seven hours in this city on Monday last. The attendance was small.

At Fleetwood Park, N. Y., on Saturday J. T. Crossley, of Philadelphia, and George Livingstone, of New York, ran a 100-yard race for \$100 a side. Crossley won by 10 feet in 10 1/2 s. Not much like beating the record, as Livingstone thought he could.

### Aquatic.

#### HANLAN AND ROSS.

An associated press telegraph report from John, N.B., under date of March 1st, informs us that a letter has been received by his backers from Hanlan's representative, stating that as Hanlan's race with Ross takes place in June, it will be impossible for a match to be made with Ross about July 8th. The contest, it is expected, will take place between July 8th and 15th.

#### THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

We take the following from The (London) Freeman of February 9th:—"We learn from a Reuter's telegram from Sydney, New South Wales, that Edward Trickett, the Australian champion, has announced that he declines to row matches anywhere except upon Australian waters. This is no very disappointing news to Higgins, Courtney, and Hanlan, all of whom might have been accommodated with matches if Trickett had consented—as it was alleged had done—to row on some river or lake in the United States. Our Australian telegram further states that a match between Trickett and Courtney is still likely to be arranged, but we must be permitted, under the circumstances, to doubt the probabilities of such a match being brought to an issue at the present time."

#### THE WATERBURY AND THEIR FARE.

As we last week asserted, one by one the combinations which surrounded the proposed sculling match between Fred. A. Plaisted and Edward Moore, have fallen away and we are glad to say that at least these two old-time rivals have been matched, or what is tantamount to it, they have agreed \$100 apiece as an earnest of their intention, and we are reliably informed that articles will be forwarded to the Toronto man for

count on a most determined struggle from the word "go" to the crossing of the finish line. Many people have underrated the Succarappa sculler's calibre, but we do not think Hanlan has done so, also why all this wrangling. In our opinion, Plaisted is one of the fastest if not the very fastest sculler for a mile and a half—we can liken him to no one better than old Bob Cooper, of Newcastle, and those of our readers who are au fait with boating topics of twelve or fifteen years ago know that the Tynesider was a flyer. Any one who saw the Plaisted-Riley-Courtney race, at Saratoga last summer, could have got a fair sample of the New Yorker's sprinting powers had they been inclined to time him to the half mile flag, creven up to the turn. As to his staying qualities, we are somewhat skeptical, but his recent races with Hanlan would seem to indicate that we can last even when the pace is taken to concert pitch.

The proposed acceptance of Ross' challenge by Hanlan drew forth a storm of disapprobation, and many unkind things were said to, and stinging epithets hurled at the head of the Toronto oarsman. It was asserted that a private letter had been sent to him, with a view of arranging a match with the New Brunswicker. Of this epistle Hanlan disclaims all knowledge—at least so it is rumored, so another canard is exploded. In regard to the match between Hanlan and Morris, we have nothing new to offer to our readers. We have it unofficially, that articles of agreement have been signed, but up to the hour of our going to press we had received no official notification of their contents. This, however, may be only one of the thousand and one rumors that are flying around loose, just now. If there is any stability in the affair, we will place full particulars before our readers next week.—  
*Sportsman.*

### Gur, Gun and Leather.

#### THE WOODSTOCK TOURNAMENT

The pigeon shooting tournament at Woodstock, on 27th and 28th ult., was a complete success, and gave the best of satisfaction to all concerned, except possibly its promoters who did not make a financial success of their undertaking. The following is the full scores of both matches:—

Woodstock, Ont., Feb. 27, 1878.—\$200. To shoot at ten birds each. Usual conditions. \$75 to first, \$45 to second, \$35 to third, \$20 to fourth, \$15 to fifth, \$10 to sixth.

##### FIRST SQUAD.

James, Hamilton .....	001110 retired.
Sessions, Woodstock .....	101100 retired.
Middleditch, Stratford .....	1101111011—8
Tweedy, J., Whitby .....	1111111011—9
Jones, Toronto .....	00101100 rt.
McKay, Hamilton .....	01010111 rt.
Baxter, Brantford .....	0010 rt.

##### SECOND SQUAD.

Westbrook, Brantford .....	1110110111—8
Neilson, Chatham .....	101000 rt.
Russell, Brantford .....	1001011010—5
Forbes, J., Woodstock .....	1111011111—9
Bates, Hamilton .....	1000100111—5
Small, Toronto .....	1111110001—7
Atk's, Chatham .....	0111111111—9

##### THIRD SQUAD.

Revell, Windsor .....	111001010 rt.
Thacker, Woodstock .....	0111110111—8
Glenn, London .....	1011110111—8
Chidley, Hamilton .....	1110000 rt.
Wheeler, Chatham .....	1110111110—8
Rogers, St. Catharines .....	0101111101—7
Hatcher, Stratford .....	011111000 rt.
Mayhew, Woodstock .....	1111111011—9

##### FOURTH SQUAD.

Moore, Clinton .....	0010 rt.
Harwood, Woodstock .....	1011010 rt.
Hudson, Syracuse, N. Y. ....	11100 rt.
Dalhman, Windsor .....	100110 rt.
Johnson, Stratford .....	10101 rt.
Lawlor, Whitby .....	1111111110—9
Tristen, Chatham .....	1111111101—9

Grant .....	11110—4
Forbes .....	11000—2
Tweedy .....	00110—2
Atkinson .....	00100—1

Woodstock, Feb. 28.—Second Match. \$300. To shoot at 10 birds each. Usual conditions. \$100 to first, \$60 to second, \$40 to third, \$30 to fourth, \$25 to fifth, \$20 to sixth, \$15 to seventh, \$10 to eighth.

##### FIRST SQUAD.

James .....	1111111110—9
Featherstone .....	010111110 rt.
Middleditch .....	0100110 rt.
Tweedy .....	0101111110—7
Jones .....	1011110010—6
McKay .....	1000110100—4
Gibbin .....	100101100 rt.
Morrison .....	1111111101—9

##### SECOND SQUAD.

Westbrook .....	1001111110—7
Neilson .....	0111111100—7
Russell .....	110111000 rt.
Dalhman .....	1000 rt.
Bates .....	1101111110—8
Moore .....	1110111110—8
Atk's .....	0101110 rt.
Dulton .....	1111111110—9

##### THIRD SQUAD.

Revell .....	00111110 rt.
Thacker .....	111111111—10
Glenn .....	10111100 rt.
Chidley .....	001 rt.
Wheeler .....	10110 rt.
Rogers .....	111110111—9
Hatcher .....	111110100 rt.
Wilson, Hamilton .....	100110 rt.

##### FOURTH SQUAD.

Small .....	111110111—9
Harwood .....	110010 rt.
Hudson .....	110111111—9
Forbes .....	110111101—8
Johnson .....	001111101—7
Lawlor .....	111111111—10
Tristen .....	111111111—10
Burgess .....	11100 rt.

##### FIFTH SQUAD.

Kennedy .....	1100 rt.
Pike .....	110111111—9
Webster .....	111101111—9
Pascoe .....	111111101—9
Brown .....	000 rt.
Session .....	0110 rt.
Mayhew .....	11010 rt.
Grant .....	01000 rt.

##### TIES AT 10 BIRDS.

26 yds.	81 yds.
Lawlor .....	1111—5
Tristen .....	01110—3
Thacker .....	10011—3

Hudson, Pascoe, Elliott, Small, Rogers, Morrison, James, Webster and Pike divided 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th prizes.

##### MATCH SHOOT.

Pike and Webster shot a match for \$100 at 25 birds each, their score in the fifth squad in the second day to go in the match. In that they each shot nine; Webster retired on the 21st bird.

Pike .....	(9) 11011111111—20
Webster .....	(9) 00011011101 rt.

##### SWEEP, \$5 EACH, 26 YDS.

81 yds.	
Harwood .....	1111—4
Hudson .....	0111—3
Pike .....	1011—3
Tristen .....	1001—2
Rogers .....	1000

##### SNOW-BIRD SHOOT.

A snow-bird shoot took place on Young's ground, Toronto, on Feb. 27, ten birds each, the first prize being a handsome pair of

between J. Johnston, of Yorkville, and A. Hay, of Toronto, 15 birds each, usual conditions.

Johnston .....	10111110101110—10
Hay .....	101110101011101—10

### COL. McDANIEL'S SALE OF THOROUGHBREDS.

The sale of Col. McDaniel's draft of thoroughbreds from his stable took place at Trenton, N. J., on the 26th ult. The following is a summary of the horses sold and the prices obtained:—

##### BROOD MARES.

Bay mare *Lorua*, foaled 1869, by *Revolver* (he by *Revenue*), dam *Gentle Annie*, by *Ruggold*; L H Ehlers, Rhinebeck, N. Y., \$205.  
Bay mare *Oakleaf*, foaled 1866, by *Oakland* (he by *Revenue*), dam *Leisure*, by *Red Eye*; D H Jones, Hoboken, N. J., \$90.  
Bay mare, by *Hunter's Lexington* (he by *Lexington*), foaled 1869, dam by *Sovereign*; J H McGuire, Trenton, N. J., \$120.

##### FOUR-YEAR-OLDS.

Bay colt *Major Barker*, by *Astoroid* (he by *Lexington*) dam *Schottische*, by *Albion*; Harvey Welch, Jerome, N. Y., \$750.  
Bay colt *Manton*, by *Melbourne jr* (he by *Knight of St George*), dam *Destiny*, by *Hooton*; C Stranahan, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$240.  
Half interest in the bay filly *Lady Salyers*, by *Longfellow* (he by *Lexington*), dam *Genours*, by *Lexington*; Dr. Conover, Long Branch, N. J., \$875.  
Chestnut filly *Fau Clair*, by *Glen Athol* (he by *Blair Athol*), dam *Sallie Watson*, by *Ruggold*; W J Weldon, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$195.

##### THREE-YEAR-OLDS.

Chestnut colt *Bennett*, by *Harry Bassett* (he by *Lexington*), dam *Bet Arlington*, by *Arlington*; J A Smith, Saratoga, N. Y., \$500.  
Brown filly *Lesura*, by *Enquirer* (he by *Lexington*), dam *Leisure*, by *Red Eye*; J A Smith, Saratoga, N. Y., \$290.  
Chestnut filly *The Fawn*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Spotted Fawn*, by *Deucalion*; J B Walker, New York, \$1,100.

##### TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

Chestnut colt *George McCulloch*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Spotted Fawn*; J McCulloch, N. Y., \$975.  
Chestnut filly *Cara Mia*, by *Lexington*, dam *Lurline*, by *Gemma di Verzy*; J A Smith, Saratoga, N. Y., \$350.  
Chestnut colt *Edward Howe*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Orange Girl*, by *Colossus*; Dr. Watson, Hunter's Point, N. Y., \$235.  
Bay colt *Bowstring*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Cordelia*, by *King Lear*; J A Smith, Saratoga, N. Y., \$800.  
Chestnut colt *Henry Stull*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Oakleaf*; S P Green, New York, \$185.  
Brown colt *Ellingwood*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Oakbud*, by *Asteroid*; J S Hicks, New York, \$240.  
Half interest in the brown colt *Lenite*, by *Lexington*, dam *Raitan*, by *Lexington*; C W Bathgate for J G Nelson & Co., New York, \$900.  
Brown filly *Lillian*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Wombat*, by *West Australian*; L Austin, Brooklyn, N. Y., \$1,075.  
Bay filly *Lena Mac*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Warwickshire*, by *Lexington*; L Valentine, N. Y., \$460.  
Chestnut filly *Lulu*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Sarah B*, by *Planet*; L H Ehlers, Rhinebeck, N. Y., \$345.  
Brown filly *Ella H.*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Etta Shipper*, by *John C. Breckenridge*; S White, N. Y., \$195.  
Brown filly *Bruna*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Avondale*, by *Lexington*; Captain E M Yard, Trenton, N. J., \$260.  
Bay filly *Mate Crandall*, by *Harry Bassett*, dam *Fleur Auge*, by *Lexington*; H DeWitt, Bridgeport, Conn., 240.

At the conclusion of the regular sale the four year old bay filly *Princess of Thule*, by *Lexington*; dam *Phoebe*, by *Kentucky*, was sold and bid in for her owner by *David McDaniel, jr.*, for \$180.

2 22 class, \$1,000 for the 2 21 class. Second day, \$2,000 for the 2 21 class, \$1,500 for the 2 28 class. Third day, \$2,500 for the free-for-all class, \$1,000 for the 2 30 class. Fourth day, \$2,000 for the 2 20 class, \$1,500 for the 2 26 class. This makes a grand total, at each place, of \$14,500, and the members of the circuit are restricted from offering more than \$15,000. Each reserves \$500 for special purposes, and some intend to give \$1,000 for all pacers, requiring seven to enter and four to start to make the race, to be paced on the second day of the meeting. The associations which do not adopt the pacing race will probably add some feature, and, if they are Eastern tracks, as is most probable, we would suggest that a double team race free for all, be given. While the entries might not be very numerous, we have little doubt there would be enough to make a race, and the reputation of the horses would be such as to attract crowds of spectators, and it would almost certainly result in a marked lowering of the record at this way of going. In the free-for-all race, it should be remarked that *Rarus* will be handicapped by being required to pull forty pounds over-weight or else to go to wagon.

### CANADIAN WINTER SPORTS

The New York World's Ottawa correspondent writes: Lord Dufferin has entered very heartily into the characteristic sports of Canada, and on one side of his residence, about a hundred yards away, is a curling rink, and adjoining it a rink for skating. Nearly every morning there is a party of curlers in the rink, and it seems to be as popular with the members of the Governor-General's household as though they were all Scots and had known nothing more exciting from their infancy. The viceregal rink has engaged in many contests, and has almost always won. The skating rink is in a little hollow, and rising above it is a hill upon which an inclined plane is erected on trestle-bents for tobogganing. Unfortunately, there has been so little snow this winter that the tobogganers have not had a good time, but I could easily see what manner of sport it was, and how exciting. In reality there is not much difference between it and coasting, the principle difference being between the toboggan and the sled. The toboggan, or Indian sled, so light of traction and presenting so broad a surface to the soft drifts, has no runners, but is simply a piece of oak about half an inch thick and three feet wide and from six to ten feet long, turned up in front with a kind of foot-board. In going down hill the toboggan is usually occupied by two persons, and sometimes by three, and is guided by the hands of the rearward occupant, by touching either on one side or the other. The rate of speed, as a matter of course, is determined by the grade of the hill, and is, I understand, frequently as fast as a mile in two minutes. To run into a tree or fence or another toboggan at such a rate of speed is no slight matter to contemplate, as the occupants of one of the viceregal vehicles found out the other day; but I am told that such mishaps are more frequent than serious, and very rarely do much damage, though a broken leg or arm is not altogether to be wondered at. The possibility of such an accident adds to the charm of the sport, just as the danger in hunting makes that sport all the pleasanter to a properly-constituted man.

### DEATH OF A TRAINER.

Mr. Mason, who for the last three years has had charge of the fine stables and track of H. C. Jewett, Esq., of Buffalo, which is situated at Olean, N. Y., was, while training a young horse on the 20th ult., kicked in the head, entirely crushing the upper part of his skull above the ears, so as to allow the blood and brains to ooze out, after which he walked to the house, where, after intense suffering for about three hours, death came to his relief. He leaves a wife and two small children to mourn his loss, and they have the sympathy of the entire community, of which he was a great favorite. It will be difficult for Mr. Jewett to find a man who can fill his place. As a horse trainer he had but very few equals. He was gentle and mild with horses, yet they knew no other way but to love and obey him.