#### HUNTING FIELD.

MONTREAL HUNT CLUB.

Master Baumgarten and his magnificent pack have -atarted the sesson in fine style, and judged from present appearances it is likely to prove a brilliant one. A friend of ours just arlived from the heavy lands of Leicesterablic was present at the meet at Ex-Master Crawfor is on Saturday last, and being only a spectator he had lessure to take stock. He, himself is an old performer cross country and as far back as 37 the writer of these lines can remember him as a first flight man, sometimes with the East Kent, again with the Berkely's and on more than one hot day with the Radnor founds over a country that required both rider and horse to have the heart of a lion to go the

We quote the words of our friend as he uttered them, "I tell you I was more than surprised to see such a ternout in Canada. The dogs were a useful looking lot, showed that they were well and intelligently cooked after, and in condition to give a good account of themselves. The members of the Hunt Club wer, most of them well mounted and I saw herses there on Saturday that under Tattersall's hammer would bring out some sharp bidding. I didn't know any of the gentlemen personally, but the Master impressed me as well up to the duties of his position; he was splendidly mounted, and from what I saw of him in the field I should judge he's a straight enough rider for any company. If my time hadn't been so limited I should have liked to look in at their Stables and Kennel."

Such was the opinion of sa old head, and we hepe when our friend returns from his far west jaunt that he will find time to examine an establishment that will bear comparison with anything in his own country-The following account of Saturday's run is from the Montreal Gazette.

It is pleasing to chronicle another successful and most enjoyable meet, at the residence of one of the ex-masters of the Montreal Hunt, Mr. John Crawford, of "Verdun," whose name in connection with the hunt will long be remembered not only as that of one of the straightest and hardest riders that ever followed the pack, but also for his liberality towards the hounds when the club was in a far different position financially and otherwise than it is to day, and last, though not least, for his unbounded hespitality in entertaining the members annually at his country seat. As was to be expected, the delightful weather on Saturday and the popularity of the host and hostess brought out a large gathering of leading citizens and many strangers to enjoy the "meet." It is noticeable that on each occasion when the ex-Master's residence is the place of "meet" some of the old members, who were among the first flight a few years ago, turn out and have a talk of the wonderful runs and jumps in their day. Amongst the guests on Saturday was noticed Mr. H. L. Macdougall, who has lately returned from England, looking remarkably well and as keen for sport as in days gone by, Many of ear readers will remember Mr. Macdougall's perfect seat on his game horses Broker and Woodstock, both winners under his riding of steeplechases worthy of the name not the miserable style of circus jumps in vogue a: the principle races throughout the United States, and we might almost say Canada, at the present day. We also noticed Mr. H. C. Lloyd, who, in his time, on Viley and Baronet, was always to be found in the front rank. Among the other guests present were Miss Aldwell, Mrs B Eurness Mrs Elwes, Mr W O and Miss Smith, Miss Ree (Ci.-ttenham, Eng), Mr and Mrs G Macrae, Mr A Endaile, Col Campbell, (Kingston) Mr and Mrs H L MacDougall, Miss MacDougall, Mr W Wilson, Mr C P Davidson, Miss Mattice (Cornwall), Mr A and the Misses Robertson, Hon A W and Mrs Oglivie, Mr and Mrs J R Hutch ins, Mrs Smythe, Miss Lebeau (Detroit), Mrs W MacIntyre, Miss Taylor, Dr and Mrs Rodgers, Mr and Mrs S Stephens, Mr Harper, Count Von Prullix, Mr and Mrs J S Hall, Mr J. Mrs and Miss Stewart, Mr Livingston, Mr C Alloway, Mr Watson Hon Mr end Mde Thibaudeau, Mde Lamothe, Dr Craik, Mr and Mrs Harris, Mr W F, Mrs and Miss Lewis, Mr McClymont, Mr and Mrs T B Hall, Mrs and Miss Lovell, Rev A Crawford, N J. C D Proctor and party, Dr Lapthorn and Misses Smith, Mrs S Greenzhields, Capt and Mrs Milburn, Miss E Scott, Mr White, Quebec, Mr. E Parniss and others whose names we were unable to learn.

Light refreshments were laid out on the lawn and in the house, the worthy ex-Master not bein a believer in heavy breakfasts just before starting for a hunt Shortly after eleven a start for the coverts was made. the following members and ladies following: -Mrs. Whitehead, Mrs. A. Baker, Miss Arnton, Miss Ogilvie, Mr. Hugh Allan, Mr. R. A. Allan, Mr. D. Armstrong, the master, Mr. Baumgarten, Capt Campbell, ex-master, Mr. G. W. Stephens, jr., Mr. C. Bouthillier, Mr. H. Bouthillier, Mr. L. Galarmeau, Mr. H. Paton, Mr. Tees, Mr. J. Arnton, Vanneck, Mr. Shuter (Lennox ville), Dr. Bell, Mr. C. Alloway, etc. The first covert tried was Doran's, which proved blank; The Cota St. Paul road was crossed, and the scrubs near the canal were next tried, where two foxes were started, which unfortunately divided the pack for a time; howevers a capital run was had across Bellanger's tarm, up through the McNaughton coverts, and on to Penniston's property, where a fox was killed in the open, when the brush was presented to Miss Arnten and the pate to Miss Ozilvie, both ladies having ridden remarkable straight and pluckily. During the run a few mishaps occurred. Mr. C. Bouthillier and his horse performed a double somesaults over a fence, ditch and drop combined, but with no damage to either Those who followed in carriages had a capttal view of the ran for a time. Afterwards all returned to Verdus, where a most rechercle luncheon was | how it is that everyb dy dossn't carry a watch. The ready and thoroughly enjoyed by all after the long drive in the bracing air. It was past four before the guests dispersed, after having spent a most enjoyable day, thanks to the cordial reception and genial manner in which all were treated by Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Crawford, whose whole desire seemed to be to pierse all who were only too happy to be present at the pleasant "meet" at " Verduu."

In addition to the mishap to Mr. Bouthillier, a con ple of others occurred. Dr Craik's man, while riding his well-known horse Wamba, met with a sectous accident. When crossing a field the horse stambled heavily into a blind ditch, throwing his rider, whose collar-bane was badly fractured and put out of jourt For a tiree it was feared that some of his ribe were also broken. The unfortunate man is now in the hospital and doing well.

Mr. J. Greenshields' valuable horse was badly imured by running into the shaft of a carriage.

THE TORONTO HUNT CLUB

The hunt last Saturday was in the neighborhood of Davisville, and a goodly number of speciators ou horseback and in carriages were on hand to see the start. The members of the Hunt were also out in force. Not only the old hands, but a good many new aspirants for cross country honors. The cast off was in a field near the hotel, and the live fox presented for the occasion gave the pack some mer y work while it lasted. Mr Mason was first up at the death and was awarded the brush.

#### STANLEY, S EXPLORATION.

A letter from Henry M. Stanley, dated July 14, at Stanley pool, on the Congo river has been received by a personal friend in Boston. With regard to his sudden deporture from Europe, he explains the cause as being sensational and exaggerated. He says in regard to the telegram printed in the English papers to the effect that one of the stations had been attacked and that the chief of the expedition wounded, that the chief who was hevrily disliked, was shot in the arm. but that no station was attrcked. The station was partially broken up by the young men of the party, each of whom desired to succeed the chief Stanley thinks the station can be supplied with native help. The number of steamers and boats have increased, and altogether he considers everything more encouraging. At Leopoldville there are two missions the Baptist and the Livingston Congo mission, and already they look quite imposing. Stanley says: "Since I arriv. ed on the Cougo last December I have been up as far as the equator, and have established two more stations besides discovering Mantaniba, have explored for one hundred miles or thereabouts. The river known on my map as the 'Welemba,' but which is really the Malunda, is not so large as stated in my book, but the size of the Arkansas-broad, and very navigable. The big stream, which I expect must drain the largest park of the South Congo basin, must be somewhere higher up. Having become better acquainted with the country. I am really struck with the dense populalation of the equatorial part of the basin which, if it were uniform throughout, would give 49 000,000. The number of products and the character of the people are likewise remarkable. Gums, rubber, wory, cam. phor, wood, and a host of other things would repay transportation, even by the very expensive mode at present in use. The people are born traders, and are, for Africans, very enterprising and industrious." Stanley tells of his mediations with tribes who are at war and who, when peace was brought about by his efforts, elected him "father and mother" of their country.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

HAMILTON, ONI.
October 511, 1883

EDITOR SPORTSMAN,

The prize offered by J. C. McKeand, the well-known sporting goods dealer on James street here for the largest bass caught in the bay this season with hook and line, has been gained by Thos. Herbert, a machinist working in R. M. Wanser & Co. 4, with a 41 lb. black bass. The fishing in the bay has been very good this year, a very large proportion of the bas caught running from 31 to 4 lbs. This result is due in some measure to the efforts of the Fish and Game Protection Association, as they were instrumental in getting the Government to stop all netting in Burlinton Bay. The pike are also in large numbers and sizes this year, saveral having been caught weighing over 12 lbs. I think your friend who has been getting tree advertisements all year about an \$1b, bass night reduce the weight next year to 6 without much fear of being loaded down with fish. Ducks are plenty here now, and good sport is being had.

Six brokers, two bank magnates, three commission merchants, and four men about town met at Bingham's on Tuesday afternoon in settlement of a wine bet. A vote was taken as to what label should be cracked and the record stood 12 for Piper Heidsack and 3 for Mum's. Enough said; straws show which way the wind blows.

Goon Accommonation .- Travellers to Mognt Forrast can't "get left." Mr. Roberts, of the "Quens," thoroughly fills the Yunkes text about keeping a hotel, an i Mr. Campball, of the Anglo-American is a'so a "live" man in the same town Both houses are kept up to the handle, and don't you allow it to alip your memory when you may up that way

A GIBAT TICKER .- Stewart Diwson & Co., the great Raglish laver watch manufacturers announce in another column that they have decided to sell direct to the retail customers their celebrated watches at prices that up to naw have characterized dealings between the munischurer and sholeesia trader. The prices quote i by them are so low that one wonlers substantial fact of a week's free trial being granted, and the full amount refuring to anyone dissatisfied with their parchase it is itself constants evidence of the aspeciacity of train gords. Consult advertise-

The most experienced horse owners in Causia keep on hand a supply of Colt's Colis Oats pondots they are a datal shot every time. The severest attack of wel a ni fares si Leonaineum vare serod in a few minutes. Price ago, and gra., according to size; sent free by mail by the Outerio Vateriamy Medicine Co

Denr's estebrated G'oras, tinal and alliquit their new instends. The bast make in the market. An endless assort must of every known color. Wheaton & Co., owner of King and Bay street.

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DEAR SPORTSMAN. In handing you a summary of the meeting held in the Green-wood Driving Park" in this town. I cau only say it was a success. The track is certainly the best half-mile track in Canada, and the association most spirited and liberal Mr. English had charge of the Pool box, and sold several thousand dollars each day. The Judges, to whom the highest praise is due for their active earnest work, were John T. Dulmage. of Wingham, Frank Smith, of London and John L. Englehart, of Petrolia, who were assisted by the Sec. retary of the Association, Mnj it B. S. Van Tuyl who as clerk of course " never tires."

The first race, Wednesday 3rd Oct., 3-15 trot, \$250 purse divided. Royal George...... 1 1 1 Carrie H .... 3 3 2 3 Peacemaker ... ....... 2 4 4 Тіше, 2.46, 2.43, 2.392, 2.392, 2.43.

The 2nd race, Wednesday, Oct. 3rd., 1883. 2,26 Trot did not fill.
The 3rd race, Thursday, Oct. 4th, 1883. 2.35 Trot purse divided. Toby Tyler .......... 3 I 2 3 I 2 Manbrine Chief ...... 1 3 3 2 3

Royal George ..... 2 1 1 2 Time—2.46, 2.40, 2.39, 2.432, 2.422, 2.39.
The Judges declared this race off, and all pools and pets off, in consequence of fraud and collusion of

The 4th race, Thursday, Oct. 4th, 1883. Pacing free for all. Purce \$250 divided. Old Hunter ..... 2 I I-Billy W ..... 1 2 2 2 Lucy Meffat ..... 3 distanced Fickle Fanny ..... drawn Judge declared 1st heat, no heat in consequence of

collasies of drivers. Time-0, 2.371, 2 321 2 291, 5th race, Thursday, O.t. 5th, 1883 250 Trot \$250, purse divided.
Taby Tyler ..... 3 2 I I I Peacemaker ..... 2 4 4 Carrie H. ..... drawn.

Time--2.41, 2.40, 2 37, 2 37, 2.36}. 6th race, Thursday, Oct. 5th, 1983. Free for all trot, \$250, parse divided.
Caledonia Chief ...... 2 2 3 Gazetteer ..... I I 2 2 

Maggie F..... drawn. Time-2.30%. 2.41, 2.40, 2.45, 2 37. Petrolia is well situated for a meeting, having the Grand Trunk and Canada Southern Railway

connections, and a live population who are prepar-ed to support honest legitimate races. VINDEX. Yours.

## MUSIC AND DRAMA.

Managers and Members of the Dramatic and Musical Professions are hereby notified that we have furnished to our representatives throughout the country, a green colored card, having an engraving in our corner of the head of the celebrated steeplechase horse "Trouble," and bearing the signature of the editor, B. King Dedde. No person unprovided with this credential has any authority from us. Correspondents must forward their reports to reach us not later than Wednesday after-

# GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

The Silver King has ruled at the Grand this week and so popular is his sovereignty that crowded houses have told the tale. The stories that had been told of its success in London and New York had been taken with many grains of allowance, and the theatre-geing public generally were prepared to allow a liberal discount. It is but fair, however, to may that played on its own merits. The "Sliver King" has proved as unqualified success and has attracted the most intelligent patrons of dramatic art in Toronto. The company is a strong one. Its leading members are very efficies in their respective roles and the whole companymay be pronounced a well halanced one. Mr. Haswin, as the hero, had a hard role to fill and he left nothing to be desired. M'ss Wardell and Mr. Harry Rich, were also deserving of special mention. "The Lights 'o Landon" next week,

Signa Campaniai arrived at New York on the Ari toms, Sunday evening.

Aimee in " La Princesse des Canairies is the ruling attraction this week at Haverly's," Brooklyn.

Mr. Joseph Jeffersen's Cyleb Planamer in "The Cricket on the Hearth" is highly spoken of by the New York Press. It is drawing good houses at the

Mr. Mantell is one of the rising luminaries, his success in the play of "Fiedors," has started half the managers in New York after him.

Mr. Charles Wyndhard's Company is doing an immense puripers at the Park, Brooklyn. Pink Dominoss and "The Great Divorce Case" are this week's attraction.

The "New Metropolitan," Mr. Abbev's new opera house in New York is pronounced to be the most perfect builling of its tind in America.

The new oper "the Beggar Student" is said to possees strong dramatic interest, and it is prophened that lit will sweep over the country and danse as strong a crase as Pinafore.

There is no doubt that Honey Ieving will have a great finoncial success in America. Sests for his opening performance were sold at \$65 a pieze, and the reecipts for one day amounting to \$30,65%. Mr. Irving may not be much of an actor, but whether he comes up to expectations or not he will "draw."

This week Mr. Magrice Grau's French Opina Opinapany, Miles, Aim's, Anyelo and Nixau, are at Haverly's Theatre, Brooklys. The most exposuled of Mr. Grau's report are will be reported. The company appeer on October 15 in Bultimore.

"Masks and foce" are being played another wask at Wallack's. On the 15th "Moth" will happed took at this bouse with some sovelties to the cast, in he ling Miss Caroline Hill, "Maha" has been played 100 nights at the London Globs.

"Fedore," at the Franteenth Street Theatre, has been accepted by the policy on it is reperied at a bit. This is oring in grad water to the capital acting of Miss Daveap at an i Mr. Martill Too man grantat report that the receipts bary result \$ 2,000 a day.

#### ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

W. J. H., WINNIPRG -A few hours after going to press with our last issue, we discovered that we had made a mistake in answering your enquiry respecting 2.242 being the fastest on record for pacing or trotting in Canada We have also since then been favored by a valued correspondent with a record of the race between Dexter and Buthy Lewis at Hamilton, Ont., on the 23rd August, 1867, won by Dexter in three atraight heats. Time, 2127, 2-22 and 2-25 Trase of I heat in this race is the lowest ever marked up on the blackwood in Canada.

Britisium City. - The Cambridgeshire was won last year by Hackness, Shrewsbury and Venusta, 3rd. No such horse as St. John started, there was a St. James amonget the lot.

CLEVELAND - the Cesarewitch was won in 1844 by Muscovite in 1864 by Thalestries, in 1874 by Adventure, in 1883 by Robert the Davil, and in 1881 by Pishall, and in 1852 by Corrie Roy.

ALL RIGHT, CITY -You are all wrong in your decision. The race in question was trotted on the Bay opposite the old Union Station. The meeting was under the management of Mr. Charles Boyle, and the pools were sold at the late Mr. Carson's saloon.

VET., SEGULD,-The medicines advertised by the Ontario Veterinary Medicine Co. are sposen of in the highest terms by all who have used them.

K. Kerr, of Lucknow, is after anybodys scalp. He offers to throw a twelve pound hammer against anybody weighing under 190 lbs., threw to be made with one hand without a turn, handles to be made of wood and any size to suit thrower. As an earnest to good faith he has deposited fre with Cameron and Campbell, of Lucknow.

At the regular meeting of the Dolphia Swimming Club, held at the Lake View House on the evening of the 8th. Capt. Andrews presented the medals to the winners at the Annual Swimming tournament.

James Pinney, the English professional swimmer, swam 500 yards in 6 minutes and 35 accords on the 27th ult. This is the best on record. Pinney, is anxious for a match with Beckwith.

Breeder, Montreel. The brown stallion Gommon. wealth by Phil Sheridan by young Columbus, dam by young St. Lawrence is dead.

Rules, Mitchell. Protests may be made verbally before or during a race, and shall be reduced to writing, and shall contain at least one specific charge and they shall be filed with the Judges' Association or Proprietor before the close of the meeting. That meets your case.

W'M MONTESAL -You I've, the case is a very straight one and thoroughly met by a well understood betting law as follows. If a bot is made on a number of straight heats, and there is a deed heat made, the beats are not atraight and the party betting on straight heats loses.

CONSTANT READER, SHERBROOME. - Phil Sheridan foaled 1862, bred by Robert Dalrell, Waldington, N. Y., got by Smith's young Columbus, dam Black Fly (bred in Canada) by a son of Tippoo, and dam by a son of Black Jack a Rescue, Sire of Adelaide, 2.198, Commonwealth, 2 22; Hiram Woodrest, 2.25; Valley Chief, 2.25 and other good ones.

L. S. LONDON.—Mollie Patterson, eh m., fealed 1880, bred by Pugh Mitten, Laira Station, Ky., got by Alexander's Abdallah, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian; dam, Bolly by Bald Stockings, son of Shropshire's Ten Wal, he by Chinn's Copperbottom, and Lail by Our Eagle, the dam of a good many but the best of her produce is Elsie Good; record, 2.22%.

# BILLIARDS.

The following from the N. Y. World explains the , The present situation among the champion billiard players is very much mixed. Slosson's challenge to Schaefer on the eve of his departure for Paris, Schaefer's refueal to properly post his demosit, and Slosson's match game at cushion-caroms with Sexton have increased their troubles. A reporter of the World called on Scheeler yesterd ty and found him dilicently practising for his coming match with Vigneux. Scheefer said he expects to sail the 16th or 17th of the present month, and devied that Maurice Daly would accompany him. "What do you think of Slosson's challengs?" was

"You see, as I am champion, I am forced to pla any one that chailenges me for the championship, he I have the privilege of naming the battle-gre Blosson is a tool in a certain man's hande, and does as that mus dictates. He has been dving of intillion for the past year or two, and he has determined to he is ed test went liw elecen test on new a column If Sleeson wanted to play me all he would have to de is post his mones in the official stakeholder's handa. challenge me for the championship, and allow me to name the place is which the game wer to be played. That is a champion's pretogetive. Why, only the other day he sent for the champ onship emblem. But I did not even notice him,'

"What will you do if he challenges you while you are on the ocean?"

"Oh, that's easily attended to. In the first place, I have left \$1 000 here to cover any deposit he may make I can get back within the sixty days the rule callle for, or if I cannot I can name Paris as the place in which to play the gama. Six on thinks he's very smart, and so he is but he need not go to sleep thinking I am suoring. I am awake as often and as lour as he is, and when he downs mo I'll know it as seen as

LATEST ENGLISH BETTING.

# CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

900 to 100 - Medicus (t) Shotover ( ) 1000 to 6) --1000 to 60 - Ravissante (t) twos to 61 — G Adh Ad (t) 1000 to 60 ---Bonn Brummel (t) 25 to 1 --Tonaus (t) 25 to T --Guinnaine (t) Ker (t) 33 to I ---33 to 1 ilamako (t) 1000 to 23 --Baltol (t) 1000 to 20 -- Bandigo (1) Rootery (t) 1000 to 40 --1000 to 15 - The Prince (t)

The fashionable make a of Sarape have been levied upon and the result in that Republic Generalistic Morne is growled with novolute. Car. Ring and Bay