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Sir George Stephen's Retirement.

The retirement of Sir George Stephen from the presidency of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company will be a surprise to many people, but after a fair reading and consideration of his letter published in our news columns, it may not appear so very surprising after all. First he says that he has for years contemplated retirement from active duty and takes the opportunity now when he sees that it has fully come. The road itself was completed some time ago, but it is yet of only recent date that some new and important achievements were made, which Sir George had been looking forward to as desirable or necessary to insure future prosperity. First, there was the securing, by himself and Sir Donald Smith, of the permanent friendship of two new and important American lines, extending from Sault Ste. Marie to Minneapolis and St. Paul on one hand, and to Duluth on the other hand, and reaching a traffic the importance of which it would be difficult to overestimate. He notes also arrangements practically settled with the Wabash Railroad for a permanent connection between the Detroit River and Chicago and the Southwest. And lastly, the long-pending arrangements with the Imperial Government for a first-class ocean line of steamers to China and Japan are at last concluded.

Sir George's pecuniary interest in the company remains undiminished, and we may expect to hear of him being "on deck" in London, if not in Montreal.

His place as president of the company is taken by Mr. W. C. Van Horne, for some time back Vice-President, and who still remains General Manager. A man, Sir George says, of proved fitness for the position, having thorough practical railway experience, and above all, with an entire devotion to the company's interests; all of which will, we fancy, be fully agreed to by those amongst us who may have had occasion for testing in their own minds Mr. Van Horne's fitness to control a great railway. The view has been advanced that a railway war, among American lines mostly, is in prospect, and that Mr. Van Horne has, therefore, been chosen as a fighting man to take charge of the Canadian Pacific Railway. On which we would remark this much at present: That if such a one was wanted, no doubt Mr. Van Horne would be just the man. But when we consider the apparently very complete and advantageous arrangements made for American connections before Sir George Stephen leaves, we should fancy that there might not be very much occasion for war after all, there being so little to tempt any opponent into it. Anyway, we should fancy that the new President and General-Manager in one is likely to hold his own at least in anything that may turn up.

The Ontario Crops and Liberal Party Policy.

The other day we quoted what the Toronto correspondent of The Montreal Witness had to tell us about the Liberal plan of campaign for the picnic season in Ontario. We avail ourselves now of an estimate of the crops in Ontario from the same source. Just now the question as to the crops is the question of the day. It is so with the farmers, also with business men generally, and with bankers and wholesale men in particular. Any patriotic Canadian might be excused were he to declare himself a man of one idea, for the time being; and to say that what he was giving his attention to was the question "what shall the harvest be?" Let us add that the following bears date Toronto, July 28, but it is still *apropos* of the time:

"It is now possible to form something like an intelligent opinion of the prospects of this province in the matter of farm produce for this season. The most striking feature of the situation is the damage done by drought in the Midland district and further east, in fact, from a point not far east of Toronto all the way to the Ottawa valley, the failure of hay and grain crops will be almost complete, while the root crops can hardly be much better. The want of pasture and of water has told severely on dairy produce, and to make matters worse, a great deal of injury has been done by bush fires. Many farmers have been forced to purchase feed for their cattle, and those who could not afford to do this have been compelled to sell their live stock at an enormous sacrifice. Over at least one quarter of the settled part of the province, the farmers have suffered untold loss. In the vicinity of Toronto the crops have been injured for want of rain, but not to anything like the same extent. In many parts of Western Ontario the crops are fair and in some places they are unusually good. On the whole the yield will to all appearance be considerably below the average, and the involuntary export of cattle will hamper the farmers for a year or two. Such a shortage under other circumstances might not have been much felt, but coming after two or three light years the effect will be little short of disastrous. It will help to swell the mortgage debt of the province, and its effect in this direction would have been much greater but for the shrinkage in the value of farm property, on much of which there is now no margin left over previous mortgages."

Now, this is really the worst that can be said with any *show* of fairness, but we assert that it is not fair to the province as a whole. Since the date mentioned a good deal of rain has fallen; and the situation has greatly improved in the meantime. That was a significant remark we quoted yesterday from The London Advertiser, that in its district the recent rains had "promoted a strong pasture growth." Now, this means a good deal, as every farmer knows. It means, in all probability, a good growing season from now until winter sets in. The change comes in time to help roots very much, as indeed a number of our contemporaries are saying; while the growth of grass will put cattle in better condition to meet the winter to come. The general report is that, not only in Western Ontario, but even for some distance east of Toronto, the crops as a whole are decidedly better this year than they were last year.

But a question of even more pressing importance, for the Liberal leaders, still remains. And they must make up their minds very shortly now as to what their answer is to be. They want Reciprocity with the States; that is settled. Now, do they want it so that our scarcity-afflicted farmers may be able to buy at low prices over the border, or do they want it so that our surplus may be sold to the Americans at high prices? They can't look two ways at once, that's flat; it will be impossible to maintain at the same time two such contradictory propositions. Perhaps The Mail will get them out of their difficulty, if they only agree to adopt it as their organ; for, The Mail can maintain anything; it can "argue a hole through a forty-foot ladder," as the saying is. Yes, The Mail is, so possessed with "the fad" that to sustain the same it will argue at the same time that white is black and that black is white. For consistency The Mail does not care; it threw that to the winds some time ago. But to the Liberal leaders the answer which they must give to the question above mentioned is a serious matter. To them it is politically a question of life or death. As the slang expression among the Albany politicians used to be, there can be no "bunkersliding" allowed in this. Come down, gentlemen, come down; in fact you must come down, that's sure. Do our farmers need most to sell in the American market at high prices, or to buy there at low prices? You must say which of the two; and you have not much time left now to make up your minds in either.

The times change and we change with them, so runs the old Roman saying, which long ago passed into a proverb. And never had it a more remarkable illustration than in the changed attitude of Canadian Free Traders on the question, as between Canada and the United States, which is naturally the selling and which the buying country, as far as farm produce is concerned. Ever since the present agitation began, and in fact, up to only a month or two ago, the former was the ground on which they stood. From the opening of it, Mr. Wiman, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Shaw and all the "guns" among them, with both The Globe and The Mail to help, have made it their great argument that what our farmers most want is the American market to sell in at higher prices than they can get at home. On this main point, Commercial Union men and Unrestricted Reciprocity men have been agreed, whatever their differences, either real or imaginary, may have been on other points. Now, do our ears, and our eyes, too, deceive us? Are these the same men who have for two months back been arguing that now what Canadian farmers want is the opportunity of buying supplies in the cheap market of the United States? We can scarce believe it. But it is even so; there is no denying it. Now, this "right about face" on the part of our Free Traders is so extraordinary that the public will allow the leaders no rest until they explain, or make some attempt to explain, how this is thus. Candidly speaking, we do not believe it possible for them to make an any explanation that will hold water. On this huge inconsistency their position must be wrecked; and the Reciprocity ship, which appears to be a "double-ender," made for going both ways, must go to the bottom.

Next Monday Mr. Laurier and Sir Richard will have an opportunity of making all this clear. And the country awaits with much interest their answer to the pending conundrum.

Dana Going Cannuck Crazy.

Editor Charles A. Dana of The New York Sun is going clean crazy. He will ere long be a raving maniac. Between his daily attacks of Cannuckphobia and the loss of circulation of his newspaper, once the brightest of all the metropolitan dailies, his mental balance has not long to last. The shadow of Bloomingdale is already hovering about his sanctum walls. Move on, Dana, before it is too late.

Sir John.

From The Smith's Falls Independent.

One of the chief causes of Sir John's success is the freedom from jealousy he has always displayed in advancing to his cabinet young and energetic men of ability and eloquence. The paramount and unquestioned superiority of the aged chieftain over any and all Canadian statesmen, making all rivalry not merely impossible, but absurd, renders it easy for him, without inquiring the risk that a weaker man might reasonably dread, of being supplanted by his juniors, to surround himself with members of his party who have given proof of possessing the requisite talents. Like most men of his years who retain any large share of the vivacity and cheerfulness of their youth, Sir John enjoys the company of the young, and during the long, dull speeches which Mr. Mills and others are so fond of inflicting on the House, the venerable Premier frequently relieves the tedium of the weary hours by short visits to the desks of his younger followers with whom, as indicated by the expression on their countenances, he is seen to be exchanging some whispered joke or witticism. Sir John is Canada's wise old man, but he is also her cheerful old man.

Le Bonne Ste. Anne.

From Le Journal de Quebec.

The Mail, in its discussion concerning public prayers, did not fail to refer to pilgrimages to le Bonne Sainte Anne and the numerous miracles operated there. As it cannot explain scientifically the extraordinary facts which are seen in that venerated shrine, it naturally treats them as fakes invented by the ministers of our religion. There is no necessity to defend the devotion to St. Anne. The thousands of distinguished pilgrims who go there every year are there to testify in its favor. Those pilgrims have no fine theories to expose, they have but to relate, facts which are unexplainable if you remove divine intervention. These facts exist all the same, though they do not co-ordin with certain given philosophical systems, and before rejecting them as false, when they are vouched for by a large number of witnesses, it would behove to be sure that they actually did not tell the truth, that they are not to be believed. So long as this evidence has not been made we will continue to believe in these miracles, which we cannot, however, explain.

We Die French.

From L'Interprete.

At the close of the Canadian convention of Nashua, a Boston journal said that the Anglo-Irish and Franco-Canadian groups should disappear. The editor of The Echo de l'Ouest, who is French, answers the Boston paper as follows: A Frenchman is from a Frenchman, and a Frenchman is from a Catholic and dies one. We do not go back on our religion or our nationality. We number one million in the United States, and thanks to our French-Canadian women, who have not degenerated, we will 50 years hence number 20,000,000, and we will be 30,000,000 of loyal and faithful citizens, walking with heads erect beneath the folds of the two greatest flags on earth, the tricolor and the star spangled banner.

The Globe's Bad Break.

From The Ottawa Journal.

Toronto's growing importance is well advertised in the Board of Trade edition of The Globe. We congratulate The Globe on its success in disproving the assertions of its party leaders in Parliament on the state of commerce and industry, so far as all else is, as the city of Toronto is concerned. Anything more satisfactory than the progress of Toronto as depicted by The Globe would be pretty hard to discover. The assessment alone has grown twenty millions in four years, 1884 to 1888. Other statistical figures are in proportion.

Clarets.

Mara & Co., 280 Queen-street west, have 200 cases of choice clarets in stock. They sell them at $4, $4.50, $5, $5.25, $5.50, $6.50, $7.50, $8 and $8.75 per case. They also have the largest stock of camping supplies in Ontario. Send for their new lithographed price catalogue of groceries, wines, etc. Twenty dollar orders delivered free at any railroad station within 100 miles of Toronto. 135

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THE TORONTOS' BIG LEAD.

NINETY RUNS AHEAD OF SEABRIGHT AT THE END OF THE FIRST INNINGS.

Toronto Defeats Kingston at Baseball—Championship Games Yesterday—Racing at Monmouth Park and Saratoga—Trotting at Buffalo—Shooting at Ottawa—Spots of Sport.

The cricket match between the Toronto and Seabright clubs was commenced yesterday morning on the Bloor-street grounds. The visitors won the toss and took the bat.

Play began at 11.45 with Absolom and Smith wielding the willow to Godfrey and Godwin's bowling. After three runs had been secured Smith was napped at the wicket by Leigh off Godfrey. Outerbridge joined Absolom, and both played carefully. No wicket being obtained a double change of bowling was made, Dickey relieving Godfrey, and A. C. Allan, Godwin. After playing two overs from Dickey, Absolom was taken at the wicket by Leigh off Dickey. Absolom played well for his runs, which proved the highest score of his side. Barton was caught by Lindsay off the first ball, which he received from Allan at coverpoint, and his wickets and Outerbridge's fell at the same total, 38. Outerbridge was easily taken at point by Riley off Allan's bowling. Butler and McGregor next faced the bowlers and careful play was adopted. The score was then advanced to 63, when MacGregor was bowled for 17 by Allan. Three more runs were added and Butler succumbed to Allan's bowling. The next three wickets were easily taken for 13 runs to Godfrey's bowling. The last wicket put on ten runs, Watson sending two balls to the boundary. Beasley's was the last wicket to go down, he being stumped by Leigh off Godfrey.

The side was retired for the small total of 89 runs, and their innings lasted for 1¾ hours.

The fielding of the Toronto eleven was excellent and Leigh kept wicket for the home team in good form. Allan's bowling was also good, he capturing five wickets at the cost of only 23 runs. Godfrey secured four for 27 and one for 31.

The match was resumed at 3.45, E. B. G. B. Allan and Winslow being the first Toronto batters. Barton and Watson commenced the bowling for the visitors, and in the latter's first over Winslow started Toronto's score with a three hit to the off, but from the first ball of Barton's second over was given out l. b. w. Riley joined Allan, and after he had made 10 runs returned a ball to Barton and retired. Collins then joined Riley and after a short innings was secured near the rupes off Absolom's bowling. Godfrey was also quickly retired. A. C. Allan went in with Riley and the stand took place. The pair remained in an hour and twenty-five minutes, when Allan was secured off Absolom's bowling for 54 runs. He was warmly applauded on his return to the Pavilion. Leigh joined Riley and another 23 runs were quickly put on, the score showing 169. The long and well played innings of Riley then terminated, he having his leg-stump bowled by a delivery from Absolom. The last four wickets added 10 runs. The innings closed for 179 runs or 90 in advance of the visitor's score. The home team were at the wickets for two hours and twenty-five minutes. At 5.15 stumps were drawn for the day. Play will be resumed about noon to-day, when the Seabright men will go in for the second time and will require to make 90 runs to save an innings defeat. The score:

SEABRIGHT.

	First Innings.
Absolom, c Leigh, b Dickey	31
Smith, c Leigh, b Godfrey	0
Outerbridge, c Riley, b A. Allan	9
Butler, (pro.) b A. Allan	6
Barton, c Lindsay, b A. Allan	0
MacGregor, b A. Allan	17
Clarke, (Capt.) b A. Allan	4
Shippen, b Godfrey	1
Martin, c A. C. Allan, b Godfrey	5
Watson jr., not out	3
Beasley, stp Leigh, b Godfrey	2
Extras	8
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	First Innings.
E. B. G. Allan, c and b Barton	10
Winslow, l b w, b Barton	3
Riley, b Absolom	33
Collins, (Capt.) c Outerbridge, b Absolom	6
Godfrey, c MacGregor, b Absolom	0
A. C. Allan, c Smith, b Absolom	54
Leigh, (pro.) c Barton, b Absolom	3
Campbell, c Shippen, b Absolom	0
Dickey, c Shippen, b Barton	9
Godwin, not out	0
Extras	9
	179

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Seabright.	O.	M.	R.	W.	Toronto.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Godfrey	17	5	27	4	Barton	17	7	30	4
Godwin	6	4	14	0	Watson jr.	11	1	47	0
Dickey	6	2	21	1	Absolom	15.1	2	43	6
A. C. Allan	14	5	23	5	Butler	3	0	23	0
					Martin	4	0	21	0

Cricket Field Echoes.

There is some talk in Philadelphia of sending a team abroad next season.

Yorkshire defeated the Gentlemen of Scotland by an innings and 50 runs. The scores were: Scotland, 16 and 129; Yorkshire, 395.

Parkdale defeated Lambton Mills at cricket on Saturday last. The match was played on the Exhibition grounds. When time was called the score stood: Lambton Mills 39 and Parkdale 41 runs for seven wickets.

International Association Games.

		R.	H.	E.
At Hamilton:				
Hamilton	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	3	10	1
Buffalo	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	1	6	3
Batteries: Wood and Thayer, Gibbs and Kaffe. Ump. Hengle.				
At Rochester:		R.	H.	E.
Rochester	0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 2—	3	6	2
Toronto	0 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0—	3	6	2
Batteries: Barr and Toy, Haddock and Banning. Umpire—Brady.				
At Syracuse:		R.	H.	E.
Syracuse	1 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 1—	5	11	3
Albany	0 1 0 1 2 0 0 0 0—	4	9	3
Batteries: Gilmore and Walker, Downey and Weidhecker. Umpire—Emslie.				

National League Games.

		R.	H.	E.
At New York:				
New York	0 1 0 0 0 3 0 3 0—	7	9	5
Indianapolis	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	6	6
Batteries: Welch and Ewing, Buddick and Myers. Umpire—Kelly.				
At Boston:		R.	H.	E.
Boston	0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 3—	6	7	3
Pittsburg	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	4	5
Batteries: Conway and Kelly, Staley and Miller. Umpire—Valentine.				
At Philadelphia:		R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	3	5
Chicago	1 0 0 3 1 0 1 0 0—	6	8	3
Batteries: Buffington and Clements, Baldwin and Daly. Umpire—Lynch.				
At Washington:		R.	H.	E.
Washington	3 0 0 0 0 2 4 1 0—	10	15	9
Detroit	2 0 0 4 0 1 1 0 0—	8	10	3
Batteries: Widner and Mack, Getzein and Bennett. Umpire—Powers.				

American Association Games.

		R.	H.	E.
At Brooklyn:				
Brooklyn	0 0 0 1 3 0 0 2 1—	7	11	1
Louisville	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	0	2	5
Batteries: Hughes and Bushong, Hecker and Cook. Umpire—Goldsmith.				
At Philadelphia:		R.	H.	E.
Athletics	0 0 0 0 0 2 0 7 0—	9	9	5
St. Louis	1 0 3 0 0 0 1 1 x—	6	6	3
Batteries: Weyhing and Robinson, King and Milligan. Umpire—Boyle.				
At Cleveland:		R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—	1	4	3
Kansas City	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 0—	2	8	3
Batteries: Knauff and Zimmer, Porter and Donohue. Umpire—McQuade.				
At Cincinnati:		R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	0 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1—	4	10	6
Baltimore	1 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0—	3	11	6
Batteries: Viau and Baldwin, Cunningham and Cantz. Umpire—Gaffney.				

Games To-day.

International Association: Buffalo at Hamilton, Albany at Rochester.

National League: Indianapolis at New York, Chicago at Philadelphia, Pittsburg at Boston, Detroit at Washington.

American Association: St. Louis at Philadelphia, Kansas City at Cleveland, Baltimore at Cincinnati, Louisville at Brooklyn.

Toronto Defeats Kingston.

KINGSTON, Aug. 7.—Kingstonians turned out en masse this afternoon to see the Torontos defeats the home team in an exhibition game. The contest was interesting in view of the fact that the winning run was made in the ninth inning. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Kingstons	2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—	2	5	4
Torontos	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1—	3	8	3
Batteries: Gallagher and Doyle, Shepherd and Oldfield. Umpire—Carson.				

Hunt from the Diamond.

Toronto plays at Kingston again to-day.

The Confectioners will like to hear from some of the city clubs. A. E. Wickett, manager, 71 Colborne-street.

Gillespie denies that he was released by either Troy or Albany.

Newark has the largest percentage of any club in the United States.

Toronto is a terror to all International clubs but Hamilton; to that team Cushman's champions are play.—Sporting Life.

The chances of the New Yorks winning the championship are increased by the fact that they close the season at home.

John M. Ward has, it is said, written an answer to Prof. Proctor, maintaining that base ball is not derived from rounders.

In Rio Janeiro they occasionally play base ball, but the Brazilians are too tired to run bases and Indians are hired to do it for them.

New York has played more errorless games than any other League team. The Athletics excel the Association clubs in this respect.

Atkisson has pitched in twenty-one winning games and only in five losing ones.

They are clamoring in the International Association for the reinstatement of Umpire Hoover.—St. Louis Sporting News.

Keefe is generally considered New York's best pitcher, yet according to the averages Welch is the more effective.

The general feeling among the Association clubs, outside of Brooklyn, Cincinnati and Cleveland is for a return to the long established 25-cent tariff.

The Buffalos are to have new grounds on the corner of Michigan and Ferry streets. They are almost as near as the present Olympic Park, and have been leased for five years.

Troy has signed Flynn, of the Lynns, an outfielder and change catcher.

Mike Dorgan will likely be secured by Syracuse.

Scheffler, who formerly played with Toronto, is been signed by Detroit.

Captain Anson is said to be writing a book. The title will be: "The Mule, or What I Know About Kicking."

It is said that everybody in Syracuse is going to vote for Harrison this fall, for this reason: "Bob" Barr, of the Rochester team, has proved a stumbling block to the Stars's players. "Bob" is a Republican, and was formerly a department clerk at Washington. The Syracusans think that if Harrison is elected Barr may get his clerkship back again, and thus an obstacle in the way of the success of the favorite club be removed.

"What shall we do to be saved?" asked a pastor of his congregation. "Slide like Eddie Burke," yelled an urchin through an open window, and the brethren all hung their heads for a quiet smile.

Baseball cannot buck successfully against horse-racing at Detroit. Only 2000 people witnessed the double allowance of the national sport given them for one price of admission there recently, while the races opened to a big crowd.

Owing to the exorbitant demands of the London club for Donovan's release, it is doubtful if the Detroit club secures him. The London people are loth to part with him, and would want a large slice of Jim Ira Germain's globe for his release.

At an Indian ball game fifteen miles north of Kiowa, I. T., Monday, only an inning was played, being won by Jackforth County players. This so enraged their opponents, the Tonkoy County players, that a general fight ensued, both among the players and a number of outsiders. Many were very badly injured, some limbs broken, eyes knocked out, ears and fingers chewed off, and a disfigurement generally. Excitement is running very high, and it is more than probable that the difficulty is not yet ended.

The Winners at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, Aug. 7.—FIRST RACE—Purse $400, for 3-year-olds; 1 mile. Sinfram, 95, won; Queen of Trumps, 102, 2; Alaho, 102, 3. Time, 1.17.

SECOND RACE—Handicap Sweepstakes; 1¼ miles. Hypocrite, 96, won; Daruna, 103, 2; Warp, 107, 3. Time 1.49½.

THIRD RACE—Kearney Handicap Sweepstakes; at $30 each, with $1000 added. $100 to 2d; 1½ miles. Labold Bros. b c Montrose, 120, Dowlah, won; Argo, 103, 2; Carumal, 102, 3. Time 2.39.

FOURTH RACE—Purse $400, selling allowance; 1 mile. So-So, 85, won; Pocatello, 105, 2; Lucky Jim, 108, 3. Six others ran, including D. Higgins' b m Shamrock. Time—1.15½.

FIFTH RACE—Purse $400, a handicap, 1½ miles over 5 hurdles. Lochine Stable's b g Percy, 140, won; Barr Oak, 147, 2; Jim Murphy, 135, 3. Evangeline also ran. Time—2.05¾.

Racing at Monmouth Park.

LONG BRANCH, Aug. 7.—FIRST RACE—Free handicap sweepstakes; 1 mile. Niagara, 100, won; Telie Doe, 115, 2; Fred B, 115, 3. Time 1.30.

SECOND RACE—The Camden Stakes for 3-year-olds, $50 each with $1500 added; 1 mile. Ransom, 112 (Garrison) won; Bill Barnes, 108, 2; Chemisa, 108, 3. Time 1.17¾.

THIRD RACE—The Ratonntown Stakes for 3-year-olds and upwards, $100 each with $1500 added; 1 mile. Little Minch, 110 (Covington), won; Swana, 120, 2; Bradford, 108, 3. Time 1.46.

FOURTH RACE—Free handicap sweepstakes, 1½ miles. Gotlhamite, 118, won; Cambyses, 112, 2; Favor, 115, 3. Time 2.56¾.

FIFTH RACE—Purse $600; selling allowance; 1 mile. Lucy A, 100, won; Ocean, 101, 2; Tudor 108, 3. Time—1.51.

SIXTH RACE—Steeplechase, short course. Elphin, 137, won; Retribution, 139, 2; Manmore, 138, 3. Time—2.10.

The Grand Circuit Opening at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Aug. 7.—About 3500 people were present at the opening of the Grand Circuit meeting. Summaries:

2.30 class, trotting. Purse $2000, divided:

Budd Doble's gr g Jack	1	1	1	
Sire Ross, b m Gracie S	2	2	2	
R. G. Smith's b g John Ferguson	3	3	3	
Burt Chaffee's b h Star Monarch	6	4	3	
A. Johnson's blk g Milton Black wood	4	6	4	
Geo. Starr's b m Wilcoxen	5	5	6	
W. H. Hitt's gr h Ready Boy	7	7	7	

Time—2.24, 2.22¾, 2.24.

2.25 class, pacing. Purse $1000, divided:

B. Patterson's b. h. Rescimer	1	5	1	1
J. Goldsmith's b. g. Billy Stuart	2	1	2	2
E. H. Brodhead's b. g. John C.	3	2	4	3
W. H. McCarthy's b h. Sir Archy	4	3	5	dr
W. H. Hitt's ch m. Wicogee	5	4	3	dr
H. Simon's b. m. Ella P.	6	6	6	dr

Time—2.18¾, 2.20, 2.20, 2.19.

2.22 class. Purse $600, divided:

Geo. Hamar's ch g T. T. S.	1	1	1	1
John Splan's blk g Black Jack	1	9	2	2
James Riley's b g St. Elmo	3	2	3	3

Time—2.22½, 2.20, 2.22½, 2.22.

Betting on the St. Leger.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—The St. Leger betting has undergone some great changes this week. It was evident on Monday that all was not well with either of the favorites, and therefore, the news that "long fours" were offered on the field created no surprise. They were accorded by through the shortening in price of Orbit, who was befriended at 8 to 1, while his stable companion, Emory, drifted away to 100 to 7 offer, and the latter proof that Orbit, won the Doncaster Cup by a little out of favor at 5 to 1. Friar's Balsam is made to play a game of shuttlecock every other day, and from 100 to 6 last yesterday, he is reported to have touched 100 to 8 at Kempton Park.

Gossip of the Turf.

The time for the hurdle race, 1½ miles, on Friday last at Saratoga, in which Gilnarm was killed, was given out as 2.01¾. It should have been 2.10. The correction is made by Mr. Gratz, who was the official timer, but was not in the stand during the race.

Hanover's condition is by no means as hopeless as the public have been led to believe. Dr. Sheppard, the veterinarian, thinks that the operation of "nerving" will enable the gallant son of Hindoo to face the starter in the fall.

On Friday last Mr. Robert Bonner drove Maud S. to a top-load wagon and turned the Fleetwood track in 2.19¾. He started at the half mile post, and the mare trotted the last half in 1.08½. Under the conditions this must be considered a very extraordinary feat.

To-morrow's racing at Monmouth Park will witness two new events, the Amboy Handicap for two-year-olds and the Cape May Handicap for three-year-olds. The former is at three-quarters of a mile and the latter at a mile and a sixteenth.

Pittsburg Phil is reported to have lost $2000 on racing at the Eastern meetings in the last six weeks.

Compared with American horses, L. E. Myers, the runner, thinks the Australians the better stayers, but hardly as fleet as Americans in sprinting.

The famous old horse, Quartermaster, died recently at the J. M. Coppedge Oakwood stud, Memphis, Tenn. Quartermaster was a chestnut, foaled in 1862, got by Bonnie Scotland, dam Rosette, by imp. Yorkshire. As a racehorse he was a great success for several seasons.

Dwyer Bros. have sold to F. Taylor for $1000 the 6-year-old chestnut horse Joe Cotton, by King Alfonso, out of imp. Inverness, by Macaroni.

At Buffalo to-morrow the program includes a special race for 4-year-olds and under, together with the 2.24 and 2.18 classes for trotters. On Friday the 2.33 class for trotters, the 2.17 for pacers and the trotting special are the fixtures. The last named event is a match between Clingstone and Belle Hamlin, when it is expected that the fastest three heats ever shown in a race will be witnessed.

As to the Junior Champion stakes, to be run next Saturday at Monmouth Park it promises to be a great race. With 20 starters, and it really looks as if there might be that number, it will be worth about $2,000, least gear it was worth $18,805 to the Dwyer Brothers, who won with King Fish.

Notes Among the Oarsmen.

It is expected that the eight-oared shell race in the regatta of the Long Island Association at Bowery Bay on Aug. 18 will be a big event. Already the Atlantas, Nonparells, and Unions, from the Harlem; the Varsuas, Seawashakas, and Nautilus of Brooklyn; the Passaics of Newark, and the Neteus of Flushing have entered.

The Nautilus senior four are very anxious for a chance to wrest the American championship from the Passaic four of Newark, N. J. The Passaics won the cup at the Sudbury regatta, at which the Nautilus four were not represented, and the latter are dead sure they can beat the champions. There is some talk in Hamilton of raising a purse to induce the champs to go to the Amphitrite City to row. The views of the Passaic crew have not yet been obtained, but it is thought that they are also anxious to tackle the Nautilus.

Several oarsmen dispute Ryan's title to the amateur championship of Canada. It would be a good idea to get up a race between him, Corbett, Shea and the two Donohues. The Donohues fully intended to row in the senior singles at the regatta, but the program was so arranged that they could not compete in that event without impairing their chances in the senior four, which they refused to do. If the senior singles had been rowed after the fours they would both have been in the race. There is some talk of giving a couple of prizes for an amateur single-scull race at Sturgeon Point if four entries are guaranteed. The Donohues would be willing to row, and if Shea, Corbett and Ryan entered they would settle the question. As it is now Ryan holds the championship by a fluke because Shea's friends accuse Corbett of fouling their man so as to give Ryan the race.—Hamilton Spectator.

Spots of Sport.

Duncan C. Ross defeated Captain Daly in the mounted sword fight at Coney Island on Saturday. Score: Ross 5 points, Daly 2.

Doctor J. H. Bailey of Dakota and Captain Bogardus arranged terms on Monday for a shooting match at 100 pigeons, at 30 yards, for $1000. The money is posted and the match will occur in Sioux City, Aug. 11.

In the Matter of the Don Arbitration.

Editor World: I observed in the press of July 31 a paragraph relating to the award made in these matters and the amount of the arbitrators' fees charged. I was present during a considerable part of the time when the arbitration in the case of Mr. John Smith was being proceeded with, which was the most important one before the board and involved the largest amount. In view of the mass of evidence which was tendered on behalf of the claimant and the city, and which I understand from members of the legal profession the arbitrators had no means of curtailing so long as it was pertinent to the issue before them, I myself am somewhat surprised at the moderation of these fees. In order, so speak, with some definiteness as to the amount of time occupied and the number of witnesses examined I applied to Mr. Alexander Downey, the stenographer who reported the evidence, and got these figures from him:

The arbitrators held sittings on forty-one different days varying from one to seven hours, according to circumstances. Thirty-two witnesses were examined for the claimant, and the city called in reply thirty-one. The claimant in this case, in dealing with the low land, went into very elaborate calculations as to the prospective capabilities of the land when "the Navy" in proved by filling in. Skilled experts and engineers were called to give estimates of the cost of making the improvements which would place the low lands in a position of being saleable. The city necessarily had to examine these various schemes, and in some instances to attack by testimony the estimates made of the cost as well as the feasibility of the various schemes. The case was a very complicated one, involving many questions of principle and fact. The claimant's witnesses made a case to show that the possible value with the lands improved of from $130,000 to $140,000, and the cost of improvement at about $20,000, or in other words the probable value to the claimant of a sum in the neighborhood of $110,000. The city's offer to him was $25,000. The arbitrators awarded $38,145, and the fees of the three arbitrators are stated at $1010, including the cost of drawing the award.

In connection with all the cases, including that of John Smith, it was stated by the City Solicitor at the opening of the inquiry, and as I am informed by Mr. Downey, that the city had made no offers which could be treated as such under the statute, so that in the event of the arbitrators finding an amount less than the offers of settlement made by Mr. Maughan on behalf of the city, the question of costs would be still an open one. So that the whole matter was open and the duty of the arbitrators, as I understand, was simply to fix the value of the property taken, and they had no option that could be properly exercised in favor of the city on the question of costs.

Mr. Downey also states that the time consumed by the arbitrators in hearing the evidence and argument and considering their award was equivalent to twenty-one days, or six hours each which, at the rate of $20 a day to the professional arbitrator and $10 a day each to the non-professional arbitrators, is equivalent to $40 a day for a day of six hours. Besides this there were the adjournments of meetings, appointments not proceeded with, through the absence of counsel, and other causes, which made up the balance of the fees as regulated by the statute.

I cannot help thinking that in the light of these facts the citizens will not deem the charges in this case extravagant, and will also consider the award of the arbitrators, in view of the evidence of value given by the claimant, as one which was moderate in amount.

Toronto, Aug. 4. H. CARWE, C. E.

The Real Reason Why They Don't Come.

Editor World: Your clipping from The Telegram of Saturday that summer travel is not setting toward Toronto this season, also The World's young man's reasons given, are too ridiculous to notice, if it were not that your paper expects to be supported by Canadians, and yet you seem to delight in falsifying the real facts and try to throw the blame on Toronto. If The World or Telegram would only do us the kindness of their young men to make proper enquiries of our American cousins why they are not visiting our city this season, they would get this answer: "We never travel extensively during presidential years, but devote our time and energy at home, interesting ourselves more particularly in the coming election, which we think of more importance to us than visiting you Canadian people." This, sir, is the main reason why We are not visiting your city this season. Another reason, the border, and not that we have no accommodation nor that our Sabbaths are too quiet