

Oct. 19—\$70: trotting, 5 mile dash. \$45, 25. (Substituted for race which did not fill).
W McGuigan, b g Randall 1
J Winters, Jr, blk g Butcher Boy..... 2
D Germain, b g Hard Road 3
Time—3:00, 2:45, 2:45, 2:50, 2:45—14:00.

MONTREAL HUNT CLUB RACES.

A day's racing took place at Montreal on Saturday at the Fashion Course, under the management of Messrs. Carson & Quinn, of which the following is the summary:—

Fashion Course, Montreal, Oct 28—\$100. Half-bred steeplechase. Open to all horses. Over the Green Course.

Mr Mullin's Galate..... 1
Owner's Pride of Ottawa..... 2
Owner's Barebones..... 3

Same Day—\$100. Racing. Open to all. Dash of a mile and an eighth. To carry 155 lbs. Province-breds allowed 10 lbs.

Fisher & Carson's b g Kelso..... 1
T Lawlor's b h Aerolito..... 2
Wm's Burgundy..... 3

Same Day—\$50. Steeplechase for farmers' horses. Over the Green Course.

Owner's King Henry..... 1
Mr Remington's Minnie Mack..... 2

TROTTING AT MONTREAL.

Subjoined is the report of a trot at Lepine Park, Montreal, on Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Lepine Park, Montreal, Oct 25 and 26—\$ --- Trotting. Open to all. Mile heats, 3 in 5.

Mr Lesage's Drummer Boy..... 3 3 1 1 2 1
Mr Plante's Village Girl..... 1 2 3 2 1 2
Mr Edgill's Jack Draper..... 2 1 2 3 3 3

No time.

A MATCH AT LEPINE PARK.

On Friday last a match took place over this track between the well-known horses Farmer Boy and City Boy, which resulted as per summary.

Lepine Park, Montreal, Oct 27—Match of \$100 aside, between City Boy and Farmer Boy; mile heats, best 3 in 5.

Mr Lesage's Farmer Boy..... 1 1 2 1
Mr Mayer's City Boy..... 2 2 1 2

No time.

Football.

HARVARD vs. CANADA.

The annual international match between Harvard University and the Football Association of Canada was played at Montreal on Saturday. Harvard won two goals and one touch down; Canada scored nothing. The Harvards were the heavier men, and played better together, showing excellent training.

HARVARD vs. MCGILL COLLEGE.

At the match at Montreal on Monday morning between the above Colleges, McGill showed some good work although they had not played together for three weeks. Harvard won one goal to nothing for Montreal. Whiting, captain of the Harvards, fell with his foot under him and broke his ankle.

CANADIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Football Association was held on Saturday in the St. Lawrence Hall, Montreal. The following clubs were represented:—Montreal, Argonaut, Toronto, London, Ottawa, Quebec, McGill College, and the Britannia. Mr. R. St. B. Young, President, occupied the chair. A report was read which showed the game to be rapidly increasing in public favor. It was decided that in the event of

run on a hundred yard track, on which one hundred stones had been placed at an interval of 8 feet apart. The object was to pick up the furthest stone from the start till every one was brought in. The ground thus covered is about 5 miles, 1,300 yards, and the jolly far did it on a brisk trot in good time.

A BAD PAIR.

The Listowell correspondent of one of the Stratford papers says:—"A young scamp named McColl, and another whose real name I have not learned, but who is of Ethiopian extraction, together with a number of their 'friends' tried on a little game here recently. McColl is known to be a good runner; so a race was got up, and quite a number of bets were made. McColl then sold the race; but the judges declared it no race. So bets were off."

A GOOD PERFORMANCE.

Mr. J. E. Dixon, an English amateur, 27 years of age, 5 ft. 4 in. in height, and 8 st. 2 lbs in weight, backed himself to walk 50 miles in 9½ hours, and won his wager by nearly ten minutes, though it rained heavily and frequently during the time occupied. A Mr. Ford, an Irish athlete, did the same distance in 9h. 4m. 53½. Records of both these feats appeared in tabulated form in the Field of 14th inst.

SUMMERHAYES WINS A HEAT RACE.

Before the football match at Montreal on Saturday was started, Summerhayes, of Montreal, and Herrick, of Harvard, ran a 100 yard heat race, Herrick receiving two yards start. Herrick won the first heat, and Summerhayes the second; the third was a walk over for the Montreal man, as the Harvard representative had strained the sinews of his leg in the second heat. Best time, 10½ sec.

Lacrosse.

MONTREAL V. SHAMROCKS.

There was a large attendance at the lacrosse match between the above clubs on Saturday last at Montreal. Neither team was in good form, and the game was not remarkable for brilliant play. The Shamrocks won the first game in seven minutes; Montreal the second in eight minutes; and the third in one and a half minutes; the Shamrocks the fourth in two minutes, and Montreal the fifth in twenty-five minutes.

The Kennel.

J. O. GOODENOUGH, of Windsor, Ont., claims the name of Grouse II. for his red Irish setter pup, born on the 2nd of April, 1876, and full brother to Shot II., presented by him to T. C. Banks. If Grouse II. is half as handsome and good as his brother, he will surely be a prize winner.

Duck shooting along the Grand River has not been so good for years as this season.

Says the Listowell Banner:—"Since the commencement of the partridge shooting season, our Nimrods have had a good time of it. They say that game is more plentiful this fall than for several seasons. It is seldom that any one, who has the slightest knowledge of his business, goes shooting without returning with a brace or two. Deer hunting, however, is not a success; the hunting is all right, but the game is scarce and seldom found."

it does not follow that he who bets loses. The difference is one not always understood, but it is of importance to all who are interested in sports. When gentlemen differ in their judgments of a horse, the speed of a yacht, or the skill of a marksman, they are very apt to back their opinions by a wager. This is not a custom but an instinct, and has its foundations deep in human nature, like logic or mathematics. Betting of this kind may not always be wise, but it is generally honorable, and often useful. Sometimes it is necessary that a man should prove the sincerity of his opinions by risking his money on their truth. just as in the Revolution our fathers made that sublime bet on American independence, when they staked on the result their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honors. This style of wagering grows out of the chivalric spirit, and has existed in all ages, and it has for its first object, not mere gain but the proof of the sincerity of the two parties, and the test of their judgments. When Paul Morphy went to Europe he found it necessary to have a bet upon every match he played, or else he would have been at the mercy of any third-rate chess player, who desired to win notoriety by challenging him. The stake was large enough to exclude from the lists all those who were insincere in their professions of superior skill, while it was sufficiently small to admit all who were in earnest. Judged in this way, betting becomes a point of honor. It regulates the relations of individuals, tests their sincerity, and is frequently the only means by which the braggart and the boaster can be silenced. This is the effect it has between man and man, but its influence on society is even greater. No great public sport, in which minds or muscles contend, can prosper, unless the moderating, controlling power of the honest, open, straightforward wager is an element of the combat. Even the turf, without the bet, would degenerate and become like a mere soupy of wild horses over the Zampas of South America. Those fractions of seconds by which we now measure the time of a winning horse would be not considered, because of the want of motive. The recorded time of a race would have as little value as the time of a private trial. But when the owners of horses make up a purse of a few thousand dollars for the winner, and when the spectators wager on the event, then the public is interested in the honesty of the race and in the accuracy of the time. The wager acts as a restraint upon what would be otherwise immeasurable looseness. Thus, though to some Puritans it may seem a paradox, betting actually secures honesty in all our popular amusements, and prevents rather than encourages fraud.

The gambling spirit is altogether opposite to that of manly honest betting. The object of the gambler is not to support his convictions, for he generally has none, but to gain an advantage. Therefore, he always wishes to bet upon a "sure thing," while the true sportsman prefers to risk his money upon the certainty of his own judgment. No gentleman would bet upon a race which he knew was to be sold, any more than he would poison a horse in his stable, but such secret knowledge of what is to come is precisely what the gambler needs. He cares nothing for the fight, but only for the spoil afterward. It is not his interest to have fair play, for in that case he would be little wiser than the rest of the world. Everyone should remember that gambling is a business, and those who profess it do not intend to lose if they can prevent it. All gambling games are arranged in the interests of their proprietors, and even in those cases where the game is honestly conducted, its system of percentages and advantages is ruinous, in the end, to the non-professional player.—*Spirit of the Times.*

THE NIPPER—Owing to an accident which befel The Nipper, bay colt, 8 yrs, by Imp. Phaeton, dam Annette, he was unable to fulfil his engagements at the late race meetings at Louisville and Nashville,

dam by Drennan, owned by Calvin Hargan, Richmond, Ky., won a good race at Harbardsburg, Ky., June 29, in 2:48—2:59½. The chestnut filly Woomoo, by Woodford Mambrino, dam by Edwin Forrest, trotted a good second to Aldine in the Breeders' Centennial race. These youngsters we have mentioned from the three-year constollation of 1870, and it will be interesting to note how far they fulfil the promise of their youth.—*Spirit.*

FOUR-YEAR-OLD RECORD CUT DOWN

At Lexington, Ky., on the 18th inst. the bay gelding Eric, four-years-old, by Ericsson, dam by Denmark, owned by R. S. Strader, trotted a first heat in a race in 2:28½, which alices one second and a quarter off the hitherto fastest four-year-old time. The sire of this colt, Ericsson, when four years old, at Louisville, Ky., in 1861, trotted a third heat in 2:30½, and most horsemen will remember the sensation created by the performance. It headed the record for this age until Oct. 2, 1874, when Alvie West (now dead), at Lexington Ky., trotted a first heat in 2:29½. Old Ericsson should have lived to see a son of his wipe out the record of the son of Almont, and place himself in the van of the four-year-old phalanx. It was a grand performance, but its lustre was somewhat dimmed by the fact that Eric, after taking the second heat, in 2:33½, was beaten in the race by Col. Pepper's fine colt, Woodford Chief, in 2:31½, 2:31½, 2:31½, most remarkable time for third, fourth, and fifth heats, by a four-year-old.—*Spirit.*

TROWN IN A POND.

Two or three parties were disputing recently in Charley Cook's saloon, opposite Prince's Square, Hamilton, as to their muscular ability, and one of them challenged the other on a bet of a dollar that he was not "man enough" to throw him head-first into the fish pond inside the enclosure mentioned. The bet was accepted, County Constable Ford was appointed referee, the two antagonists entered the arena, and in quicker time than it would take to call Dan Collins from the carters' stand to move a five hundred dollar piano, the blowhard was heard first splashing about in the water amongst the mud-turtles, to the evident enjoyment of a crowd of spectators, who were gotten together on the shortest imaginable notice. The money was paid over to the winner, and, to his credit be it said, the chap who got the ducking took it very good-naturedly.

ARRIVAL OF MISS NEILSON.—Among the passengers who landed yesterday from England, by the Scotia, was the distinguished actress Miss Lillian Adelaide Neilson, who is to begin on Oct. 30, at the Walnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, a series of three representations—comprising, Juliet, Isabella, Pauline, Julia, Amy Robsart, &c.—in which she is unrivaled in the present stage period. To recall those beautiful works of dramatic art is to remember that they were made gymnastical by trained skill and were suffused with spontaneous and magnetic emotion, and is to think of genius and beauty that could always easily give a vital embodiment to poetical ideals. Those persons who care for real dramatic art, and are tired of the slop which, with little exception, is everywhere prevalent, have cause for regret that this actress will not appear in New York—at least till late in the season. Miss Neilson makes her provincial tour under the management of Mr. Max Strakosch.—*N. Y. Tribune of Thursday.*

Messrs. White & Sharpe's advertisement on our last page will probably attract the attention of our readers. They have obtained a very enviable reputation in their line of business.

The most popular oyster and luncheon room in the city is, without doubt, that of Mons. Raignon, 107 King street west. It is very conveniently situated, and the reputation of the place has been acquired on its merits alone.

seats Julius Caesar at the Royal Opera House on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next. It promises to be the event of our dramatic season.

Miss Maud Branscombe, assisted by Sir Randal Roberts, will take a benefit at the Royal Opera House, on Monday evening.—The bill consists of: Naval Engagements and Under a Veil.

Joe Goss and Shero Taylor, assisted by Harry Lindley's Variety Company, have been fighting mimic battles at the Queen's since Monday.

Le Commauder Caseneuve, the French wizard, is underlined for an early appearance at the Royal Opera House.

GENERAL.

Sir Randal Roberts is about to start on a tour of Ontario, and his route as announced is as follows:—St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Chatham, London, Brantford, Cobourg, Hamilton, Goderich, St. Marys, and Simco.

Mr. George Henderson, a comic vocalist of Hamilton, starts on Monday for a tour of the Province, in company with Miss Jennie Watson and Mr. J. F. Hardy.

Mr. McDowell's company closed at the Academy of Music, Montreal, on Saturday night. They re-open on Monday evening next with Under the Gaslight.

The Holman Opera Company commenced at Monday at the Academy of Music, Montreal, for a season of six nights and one matinee. The opening bill was Giorio Giorio.

Tom Thumb and party are at Kingston to-morrow, Saturday, evening. Their route is westward.

The Gango Royal Japanese Troupe and Blaisdell's American and European and Specialty Company are taking in the western towns.

Prof. Fowler lectures in Hamilton at Mechanics' Hall on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of this week.

Mrs. Chanfrau occupies Mechanics' Hall Hamilton, Monday and Tuesday evening next. Parted, and Was She Right are the bills.

The Hamilton Garrick Club produced The Serf, and the Two Buzzards on Monday evening.

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