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STEEPLECHASING TO  
START NEXT MONTHIn England, Where All Sports  
and Pastimes Will Boom Like  
Before the War.

London, Dec. 21.—With the great war as an end, sporting events in England will be revived and resumed with no loss of time, a special feature being the resumption of all outside sports on the lines of pre-war days. Horse racing will be in full swing again. Steeplechase meetings having been arranged next month at Manchester, Wolverhampton, Gatwick, Sandown Park and Windsor, the following schedule having been decided upon: Jan. 1 and 2, Manchester; Jan. 3 and 4, Wolverhampton; Jan. 13 and 14, Sandown Park; Jan. 23 and 24, Windsor. The county cricket program will start under way in May, and, although many well known faces will be missing, no lack of interest will be felt. The annual race for championship honors. Not a single first-class game has been played since August, 1914. The annual race for the open championship will be resumed next summer has stirred up intense interest in getting cricket. With the exception of Harry Vardon, Edward Ray, James Brad and J. H. Taylor, who are all over the military age and have done valuable work in playing exhibition games all over the country, which netted thousands of dollars for the benefit of the various war funds, nearly all the other prominent professionals have been on active service. Flat racing will enjoy a veritable boom. With all government restrictions removed, patrons of the turf will be enabled for the first time since 1914 to see the sport conducted as before the war. All the famous classics will be run off on their original courses—the Derby and Oaks at Epsom, the Gold Cup at Ascot, the St. Leger at Doncaster and the Lincolnshire Handicap at Newmarket. International soccer will be resumed in the New Year. The English Football Association has sanctioned representative games against Scotland, Ireland and Wales, while in September the games in the three principal league competitions will be played as in the pre-war days with the one exception that a shilling (3 cents) will be charged to all league games instead of five pence (one cent), which is the first departure from the ordinary charge for about thirty years.

SATURDAY'S RACES  
OFF AT ORLEANS

New Orleans, Dec. 21.—No races were held here today. Entries as last issued still stand for Monday, it was announced. They are as follows:  
FIRST RACE—All ages, maidens, claiming, purse \$500, six furlongs:  
1. G. Washington, 111, Lewis B., 112, Dan Bright, 109, Reuben Hugh, 108, Hans Rose, 105, Jack Healy, 102, Dickey Dare, 104, Vigilante, 102.  
SECOND RACE—Three-year-olds, 5/4, claiming, purse \$500:  
1. Prevaricate, 112, Antoinette, 109, Christie Holman, 108, Dahinda, 108, Frank Shannon, 107.  
THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds, 5/4, claiming, purse \$500:  
1. Apple Jack, 114, Sureget, 114, Harbard, 110, Little D., 109, Frechy, 105, New Model, 107, Minnie F., 106, Bessy, 102.  
FOURTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, five furlongs:  
1. D. Campbell, 114, General, 114, Parlor Boy, 114, Paganini, 110, Blue Bannock, 109, Medford Boy, 109, Semeca, 107, Lady Longellow, 100.  
FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, five furlongs:  
1. Herbert Temple, 112, Comacho, 112, Steadfast, 111, Nourdin, 112, Feline, 112, King Neptune, 112, Flora Finch, 109, Thrift, 109, America, 108, Kimer, 107.  
SIXTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, one mile:  
1. Ternak, 113, L. of Kirkcaldy, 113, Transportation, 113, Grumpy, 113, Luther, 113, Margaret N., 110, Indulgent, 110, Brown's Pay, 108, Broom Peddler, 108, Al Pierce, 108, Thursday Night, 108, Lucile P., 105.  
\*Apprentice allowance claimed.  
Weather rainy; track sloppy.

## HAVANA RESULTS

Havana, Dec. 21.—The races here today resulted as follows:  
FIRST RACE—Claiming, for all ages, purse \$400, 5 furlongs:  
1. Crystal Day, 100, 4 to 5, 1 to 3.  
2. Great Gull, 108, 8 to 5.  
3. Charles.  
Time, 1:26 4-5. Callo, Zu Zu, Tinkins, Sol Mintz and Capital City also ran.  
SECOND RACE—Allowance, for two-year-olds, purse \$500, 5 furlongs:  
1. D. Davis, 102, 10 to 1, 4 to 1.  
2. Maymon, 108, 3 to 5.  
3. Croix d'Or, 111.  
Time, 1:13 3-5. Mike Dixon, Chansonne, H. Lady Order, Linkstrap and Weymouth Girl also ran.  
THIRD RACE—Claiming, for all ages, purse \$500, six furlongs:  
1. Waterford (Dreyer), 110, 2 to 5.  
2. Hope (Helmman), 115, out.  
3. Glorine (Domitelli), 115, 1 to 3.  
Time, 1:25 1-5. Royal Favorite, Heredity, Sevilla, Gibraltar and Hemlock also ran.  
FOURTH RACE—Claiming, for three-year-olds and up, purse \$500, 5 furlongs:  
1. Nib (Dreyer), 102, 2 to 5.  
2. Lackross (Ball), 107, out.  
3. Pierrot (Thurber), 107, 1 to 1.  
Time, 1:11 2-5. Dixie Highway, Silk Rustle, Lathaleet, Vires, Quick and Bulger also ran.  
FIFTH RACE—San Juan Handicap for all ages, purse \$800, 5/4 furlongs:  
1. Ruffert (Lansford), 108, out.  
2. Skiles Knob (Dreyer), 114, out.  
3. Sir Wellons (Ball), 112, out.  
Time, 1:17 3-5. Daddy's Choice and Sasin also ran.  
SIXTH RACE—Claiming, for all ages, purse \$500, six furlongs:  
1. Akkin (Dreyer), 107, 2 to 5.  
2. Vagabond (Mabel), 107, 2 to 5.  
3. High Tide (Anderson), 110, even.  
Time, 1:25 2-5.  
Harry Gardner, Gat Up, Callaway, Lady James and Functionaire also ran.

## SUNDAY AT HAVANA

Havana, Dec. 22.—The following were the results today:  
FIRST RACE—Two-year-olds, claiming, purse \$500, 5/4 furlongs:  
1. Sunningdale, 109 (Dreyer), 1 to 2 and out.  
2. Weymus Girl, 102 (Lang), 6 to 5 and 1 to 2.  
3. Dione, 101 (Thurber), 8 to 1.  
Time, 1:16 4-5. Lydia H., Precious Jewel, Terrible Miss, Speedy Lady also ran.  
SECOND RACE—Three-year-olds and up, purse \$500, claiming, five furlongs:  
1. Lady Matchmaker, 103 (Proctor), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1 and even.  
2. Quin, 108 (Ball), even and 1 to 2.  
3. Prince Bonero, 105 (Dishon), 3 to 5.  
Time, 1:07 3-5. The Grader, Flying Dart, Whispering Hope, Little Puss, Mosmer, Numerate also ran.  
THIRD RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, five furlongs:  
1. Francisco, 111 (Thurber), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5.  
2. Kernan, 107 (Howard), even and 3 to 5.  
3. Lola, 108 (Dreyer), out.  
Time, 1:00. Lady Spendthrift, Primero and Twenty-Seven also ran.  
FOURTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, 5 furlongs:  
1. Jimmy Burns, 105 (Thurber), 3 to 1, 6 to 5, 3 to 5.  
2. Arlet, 103 (Murray), 8 to 5, 4 to 1, 2 to 1.  
3. Capital City, 103 (Bulman), 4 to 1, 2 to 1.  
Time, 1:23. Ralph S., Driftwood, Deck, Fond Almino, Dusty Boots and Dash also ran.  
FIFTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, 5 furlongs:  
1. Pedlar, 107 (Kelsey), 5 to 2, even, 1 to 2.  
2. Zedac, 110 (Thurber), 4 to 1, 2 to 1.  
3. Pretty Baby, 105 (Dreyer), out.  
Time, 1:23 1-5. Victoria, Hemlock, Passion, Tarleton P. and Beverly James also ran.  
SIXTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, claiming, purse \$500, 5 furlongs:  
1. Leoma, 110 (Pileman), 4 to 1, 2 to 1, even.  
2. Robert L. Owen, 100 (Dreyer), even, 1 to 2.  
3. Dr. Nickell, 108 (Fraser), 3 to 5.  
Time, 1:23 1-5. Flare, James, Merry Jubilee and Brizz also ran.  
SEVENTH RACE—Three-year-olds and up, purse \$500, one mile:  
1. Baby Sister, 107 (Kelsey), 5 to 1, 8 to 5, 7 to 10.  
2. John W. Klein, 112 (Howard), out.  
3. High Tide, 105 (Anderson), 1 to 2.  
Time, 1:44 1-5. Austral, El Plaudir, Great Dolly, Trout Fly and Callaway also ran.

WAR GRATUITY  
FOR ALL TROOPSCabinet Council Authorizes  
Additional Payments to Both  
Land and Naval Forces.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—An order-in-council was Saturday passed by the cabinet council authorizing the payment of a "war service gratuity" to be payable to the naval and land forces of Canada, in place of post discharge pay.

Under this enactment the amount to be paid is graduated up to six months' pay and allowances, exclusive of subsistence allowance or allowances in lieu of rations and quarters, according to the length and nature of service. For the members of the land forces who have served at any time overseas, which means on the strength for pay and allowances of some recognized overseas establishment, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or over, 32 days' pay and allowances; for two years' service and under three years, 24 days' pay and allowances; for one year's service and under two years, 16 days' pay and allowances; for less than one year 92 days' pay and allowances.

For Those Not Overseas. For the members of the land forces who were on the strength on active service on the date the armistice was signed, and have not served overseas, on the strength for pay and allowances of some recognized overseas establishment, the gratuity is graded as follows:

For three years' service or over, 32 days' pay and allowances; for two years' service and under three years, 24 days' pay and allowances; for one year's service and under two years, 16 days' pay and allowances; for less than one year 92 days' pay and allowances.

As regards those who have not served the front in an actual theatre of war, and were not on the strength of the force on Nov. 11 last, no benefit is given under the order-in-council. These cases are already provided for under the order-in-council regarding post-discharge pay.

For members of the naval forces of Canada effectually the same provisions are made. Payment of the gratuity will be made as follows: Thirty-one days' pay and allowances on the date of discharge, and the remainder in alternate monthly payments of 50 and 21 days' pay and allowances.

Certain restrictions are placed upon the granting of the gratuity. For instance, if a man discharged with ignominy or for misconduct, the gratuity is not payable. Further, while the officer or man is undergoing treatment by and is in receipt of full pay and allowances from the department of soldiers' civil re-establishment, the gratuity is withheld until such treatment and pay have ceased.

Deduct Post-Discharge. Any post-discharge pay paid under previous orders-in-council will be deducted from the amount of the war service gratuity.

It is also provided that where separation allowance was issuable during service and the dependent is still eligible the portion of the gratuity equal to separation allowance will be paid direct to the dependent.

Regarding the adjustment of arrears, where the whole or any part of post-discharge pay has already been paid under previous orders-in-council, any payment due under the new regulations, over and above the amount of post-discharge pay already paid, will not be paid until Feb. 1, 1919.

It is further provided that if in any case the amount of 31 days' pay and allowances, or is less than \$70 in the case of a man without such dependents, \$100 and \$70 respectively will be paid in place of every payment of one month's pay and allowances.

For those who served at the front, in any actual theatre of war, and were discharged prior to the passing of the order-in-council its provisions are made retroactive to the beginning of the war.

## SHALL IT BE LIFE OR DEATH?

Extract from letter received this week, telling the story of the grim struggle made by hundreds in this city and throughout the country. Is it any wonder that an earnest appeal is sent out for help to care for every needy consumptive?

Toronto, December 12, 1918.

"I have felt the heavy hand of the White Plague in my family. I have a son just past thirty years of age, who has been in bed for six months, suffering from Tuberculosis, and had been the support of father and mother for some years, earning a good salary. Father had a job at \_\_\_\_\_ place, but was laid off because he was a man past their age limit. Consequence is that for six months we have lived on saved money, and are now at the end of our resources."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

## To Every Generous Hearted Reader of The Toronto World

Toronto, December 21st, 1918

Dear Friend:

Once it was called the Great White Plague. To be infected with it was equivalent to being sentenced to death.

The tragedy was so bitter that many a family having a consumptive member would conceal the fact as if in shame.

We know better now; we know that tuberculosis is not incurable. We have proved it a thousand times.

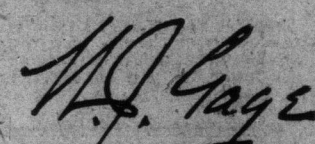
The work of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives has brought hope and salvation into the life of many a sufferer.

The great glory of this work is that it can largely be done through voluntary contributions---by the aid of the gifts of healthy generous souls who pity and wish to help their afflicted fellow-creatures.

It would be unfair to ask you to deny some other charity for the sake of ours. What we do ask, however, is that we may share in the abundance of your giving, and receive a part of your charitable donations for this year.

If you could see the bloom of health brought back to some poor sufferer as a result of your gift, you would indeed enjoy that splendid emotion which is best described by the words--- "It is more blessed to give."

Thanking you in anticipation of your generous help, I am,  
Yours faithfully,



President.

Contributions may be sent to Sir William J. Gage, 84 Spadina Ave., or Mr. G. A. Reid, Secretary-Treasurer, 223 College St., Toronto.

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By Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather and Capt. Arthur Eliot

THE MOST FAMOUS ENGLISH COMEDY-DRAMA  
OF THE PRESENT DAY  
SHOWING THAT EVEN WAR HAS ITS HUMOR AS WELL AS ITS PATHOSMAT., 25c and 50c PRICES NIGHT, 25c, 35c, 50c  
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