REVE D'OR WINS THE OAKS

THE ACORN STAKES CAPTURED BY THE FILLY SAUCY LASS.

Sporting Life at the Capital—News from the "Old Man"—The Trip of the Gentlemen Cricketers to England—Among the Ball Tossers—Spots of Sport.

LONDON, May 27.—This was the fourth and last day of the Epsom Summer Meeting. The weather during the morning was cold and rainy. The race for the Oaks Stakes was won by the Duke of Beaufort's filly Reve d'Or, and the Acorn Stakes by Mr. Brydges Williams' filly Saucy Lass. Summaries:

One Hundred and Ninth Renewal of the Oaks Stakes of 50 sovs. each, half forfeit, for fillies, then 3-year-olds; to carry 126 lbs. each; the owner of the second filly to receive 300 sovs. and the third 150 sovs. out of the stakes. About one mile and a half, starting at the New High Level Starting Posts—17 subscribers.

Duke of Beaufort's ch.f. Reve d'Or, by Hampton—Queen of the Roses 1
Mr. F. Valentine's b.f. St. Helen, by Springfield—St. Hilda 2
Duke of Westminster's ch.f. Freedom, by Bend Or—Frets 3
Mr. J. Sharry's br.f. Jersey Lily, by Beaucleroc—Tiger Lily 0
Mr. Douglas Baird's b.f. Maize, by Hampton—Palm Flower 0
Mr. W. Tatson's ch.f. Lady Muncaster, by Muncaster—Blue Light 0
Prince Soltykoff's ch.f. Luciana, by Mask—Lucetta 0
Sir R. Jardine's b.f. Hawthorn, by Albert Victor—Hawthorn Bloom 0
Duke of Beaufort's br. f. Fealty, by Hampton—Ragman Roll 0

Time—2.50 3-4.

Betting—Even against Reve d'Or, 9 to 4 Lady Muncaster, 10 to 1 Freedom, 12 to 1 each Hawthorn and St. Helen, 20 to 1 Maize, 25 to 1 each Jersey Lily, Luciana and Fealty.

The Race—Jersey Lily had the outside position and was first away. After 300 yards had been run St. Helen and Fealty raced past the Lily. At the mile post Fealty was ahead, with Hawthorn third. Descending the hill Fealty was driven hard. She was just in front of St. Helen, with Reve D'Or and Hawthorn at St. Helen's heels. Fealty was beaten before she entered the straight. St. Helen rounded the corner with Reve d'Or following on the right and Freedom on the lower ground. Reve d'Or passed St. Helen half way up the straight, and won in a canter by three lengths. Freedom was a bad third, Hawthorn was fourth and Jersey Lily last.

THE ACORN STAKES.

The Acorn Stakes of 10 sovs. each, 5 forfeit, with 300 added, for 2-year old fillies; to carry 124 pounds each, the owner of the second filly to receive 50 sovs. out of the stakes; the Egmont Course, five furlongs, 68 subs:

Mr. Brydges Williams' b.f. Saucy Lass, by Hampton—Apple Sauce 1
Mr. J. Porter's ch.f. Mon Droit, by Hermit—In Bounds 2
Lord Arlington's ch.f. Agnes, by Muncaster—Agnes la Flire 3

REVE D'OR'S SIRE.

Reve d' Or's pedigree was published in The World of April 30. It is remarkable that both Derby and Oaks winners are by Hampton, and as Hermit is now 21 years of age the probabilities are that Hampton, who was a winner at six years old, will succeed him as the most fashionable and costly stallion at the service of English breeders. Hampton, whose covering fee in Capt. Heaton's stud at Newmarket is $300, is by Lord Clifden, the sire of imp. Rotherhill and of imp. Buckden, who sired Mr. Cassatt's Bend Or, by many thought to be the greatest horse in America. Petrarch, sire of the Bard and of Busybody, and Miss Jummy, both Oaks winners, are also by Lord Clifden; as were Wenlock and Hawthornden, winners of the Leger; Jeanette, winner of the Oaks and Leger, and other great performers, such as Winslow, Barefoot, Rochampton, Miss Tots, etc. There is in fact no better blood in England, and Hermit and Lord Clifden both being by Newminster it is another triumph for the son of Touchstone and old Beeswing that Hampton should bid fair to succeed Hermit, whose covering fee is $1250, or a sum which is thought an extravagant price for a yearling in the United States.

The victory of the Duke of Beaufort, the champion sportsman of the English peerage, will be immensely popular, and it is the first time his grace has scored in the three big events, though he was third to Hermit with Vauban in the Derby of 1867, and has won most of the other good things on the turf.

Queen Wins the Brooklyn Cup.

GRAVESEND, L.I., May 27.—This was the fourth day of the Brooklyn Jockey Club meeting, weather and track good. Summaries:

First race, 2-year-olds and upward, 1 mile—Leamington, 122 won; Maroon, 102, second; Phil. E., 118, third. Time 1.48¾.

Second race, maiden 2-year-olds, 5 furlongs—King Crab, 112, won; Satisfied, 112, second; Faux Pas, 112, third. Time 1.03¼.

Third race, a handicap sweepstakes for 3-year-olds and upward, 3¼ miles—Favor, 118, won; War Eagle, 103, second; Richmond, 105, third. Time 1.56.

Fourth race, The Brooklyn Cup, for 3-year-olds and upwards, 1¼ miles—

T. B. Haggin's b.f. Guenn, 4 years, by Flood, 115	1
W. Gratz's b.h. Pension, 3 years, by Reform, 100	2
H. J. Woodford's b.g. Barnum, aged, by Bonnie Scotland, 122	3

Time—2.08¾.

Fifth race, for 3-year-olds, 1 1-16 miles—Flageoletta, 88, won; Hypasia, 106, second; Plaisir, 106, third. Time 1.50¾.

Sixth race, for 3-year-olds and upwards, 1 mile—Orlando, 114 won; Stuyvesant, 118, second; Nettie, 112, third. Time 144.

Racing at Latonia.

COVINGTON, Ky., May 27.—This was the fifth day of the Latonia meeting. The weather was fine and track in splendid condition. Summaries:

First race, Selling Purse, 7 furlongs—Ranbox, 101, won; Voltigeur, 102, second; Revoke, 105, third. Time 1.30¼.

Second race, for 2-year-old fillies, ½ mile—Lela May, 109, won; The Crow, 105, second; Little Sis, 100, third. Time 50½ secs.

Third race, for beaten horses in 1887, 1 mile—Estrella, 108, won; Gold Flea, 113, second; Comedie, 92, third; time 1.45½.

Fourth race, for 3-year-olds and upward, 1 mile and 300 yards—Jacobin, 107, won; Terra Cotta, 97, second; Kaloolah, 102, third; time 2.14¼.

Fifth race, Harold Stakes, for 2-year-old colts, 5 furlongs—

J. Ullman's b.g. Raceland, by Billet, 105	1
R. Lisle's blk.g. Cast Steel, by Outcast, 107	2
M. McClelland's b.c. Radjee, by Ill-Used, 118	3

Time—1.04½.

In the first race Virgil H. fell and sprained her back so as to be unable to rise. She is supposed to be permanently injured.

To-day at Glen Grove.

Visitors to Glen Grove Park to-day will no doubt witness some good racing. There are three events on the program, commencing with the Introductory Scramble of six furlongs, and followed by the Hunter's race, for which there are nine candidates to do battle for victory. The sport will wind up with the Glen Grove Stakes for Dominion breds, and should prove a great contest. The entries are as follows:

First race—Introductory Scramble—$100, of which $20 to second. Handicap, top weight, 125 lbs. Six furlongs:

	lbs.
E. Rogers' ch.h. Brait, 5 years, by Princeton—Roseline	125
Wellington Stables' b.g. Willie W., 6 years, by Princeton—Rosalind	114
A. Sinclair's b.m. Imp. Lady Dayrell, 3 years, by Bob Dayrell—Lady Critchill	106
Wellington Stables' b.g. Blanton, aged, by Bonnie Scotland—Minnie Brown	105
G. A. Forbes' b.g. Oliver, 4 years, by Bullion—Experiment	104
B. Johnston's ch.g. Ben Bolt, by Judge Curtis—Galvanetta	104

Second race—Hunters' Flat—$100, of which $20 to second. Open to hunters and hacks. Handicap, top weight 170 lbs. One mile. Gentlemen riders.

	lbs.
Waverley Stables' b.g. Mandamus, aged, by John Morgan—Duet	170
Mr. A. Shield's b.g. Cyclone, aged, by Astronomer—Pride of Erin	165
Mr. A. Smiths' ch.g. Chandos, 5 years, by Thunderstone—Scissors	158
Mr. Harton Walker's b.g. Pawnbroker, aged, by Vespucius—Evelyn Carter	155
Mr. J. Harris' gr.g. Silver King, aged, by Terror—Unknown	150
Mr. Harold Smith's b.g. Marchaway, 5 years, by Harkaway—Suelight	150
Mr. E. W. Gardner's b.m. Merry Belle, 6 years, by Terror—Unknown	145
Mr. G. P. Sharp's b.m. Ellen Terry, 6 years, by War Cry—Unknown	140
Mr. Croft's b.g. Irish Pat, aged, by Speculum—Unknown	140

Third race—Glen Grove Stakes—$75. Handicap. Open to all Dominion-bred horses. Top weight 130 lbs. $100 to first, $25 to second. One and one-eighth miles:

	lbs.
Mr. Henry's ch.h. Fred Henry, aged, by War Cry—Cheltenham Maid	130
D. W. Campbell's ch.m. Wild Rose, 5 years, by Princeton—Stolen Kisses	124
Wellington Stables' b.g. Willie W., 6 years, by Princeton—Roseline	122
E. Burgess' b.c. Fred B., 4 years, by Princeton—Roseline	110
G. A. Forbes' ch.m. Maggie Bruce, 4 years, by Bill Bruce—Tolima	108

Glen Grove Forecasts.

The card for to-day is a fair one and should produce some interesting sport.

For the opening event Brait is a good thing. Lady Dayrell should get the place.

Mandamus and Cyclone should finish as named in the Hunters' Race.

The Glen Grove Stake. Will Rose is probably the pick of the lot. Fred Henry will be likely to earn second money.

New Racing Rules.

A joint committee of the officers of the Coney Island Jockey Club and Brooklyn Jockey Club was held at the rooms of the Coney Island Jockey Club Thursday night, at which the following amendments to the rules were adopted. They have not, as yet been acted upon by the American Jockey Club, Monmouth Park Association or Saratoga Association:

1. Any person who shall be arrested for a violation of the provisions of Assembly bill No. 967, known as the Ives Racing Bill, shall be suspended from all privileges of the course until the day of the trial, when, if convicted, he shall be finally ruled off.

2. The same ruling shall apply to any person who shall be proved, to the satisfaction of the committee, to be the employer or partner of a person so arrested.

The object of these amendments is to reach and break up, if possible, the rooms doing a betting business in New York and Brooklyn.

It was supposed that the subject of arranging for the dates which will enable the Brooklyn Jockey Club to finish its meeting without a conflict with the American or Coney Island clubs would have been taken up. But it is understood that the subject is postponed until to-night. The American Jockey Club begins its meeting at Jerome Park on Monday.

The Close at the Gentlemen's Park.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.—This was the last day of the spring meeting at the Gentlemen's Driving Park. The weather and track were favorable. Summaries:

2.45 class:

Lady of Lyons	1 1 1
Crescendo	2 2 2
Fred Medlum	3 3 2

Time—2.30, 2.29¼, 2.31¾.

2.19 class:

Libby S.	2 1 1 1
Orange Bud	1 2 2 2
Billy Button	3 3 3 3

Time—2.27¼, 2.24¾, 2.27, 2.25.

Glen Grove.

The members of Glen Grove Club will lunch at the Club House at the Park at 2 p.m. It is particularly requested that members should be sharp on time. R. King Dodge, Secretary.

SPORTING LIFE AT THE CAPITAL.

A Budget of Out-door Amusements From the "Old Man."

OTTAWA, May 27.—Our 24th was a fair day for sporting events. The fact that they were well attended, when the 43rd went to Arnprior, and the G.G.F.G. to Kingston, and hundreds of others picnicked and fished, told well. Besides we had that long-prayed-for, long-wanted rain, but it didn't come the day it was wanted—it came, all the same.

The lacrosse game between the Capitals and the Richmond Hill boys was a grand match. Our men, however, were a little too heavy, but the country village boys from up north of the Queen City for what they lacked in weight made up well in pluck. Our people had to admire them, especially in their plucky and gallant defence. From facing the ball until first game, it took our fellows one hour and thirteen minutes to get there. The next games were equally hotly contested. The Caps are a good team, but had rather overestimated their work. A few more games of this sort would do them good. Though defeated, the Richmond Hill men have every reason to be proud of their defeat. Their gentlemanly conduct, expertness and good play won admiration from all.

At Lansdowne Park the attendance was immense, and the 400, of our ladies and better class. The best of order was maintained, and, barring the death of Ben Brace in the running race, the sports were first-class. There was no gambling or liquor allowed on the grounds. The following is a summary of heats. In this 2-minute class there is a break up of several who have stayed around that notch quite a while:

Three-minute class:

Forrester Boy	1 1 1
Will Bach	4 2 2
Headlight	3 3 3
Deception	2 4 d
Maud L.	5 d

Time—2.48, 2.46¼, 2.45¼.

These heats were won by Forrester Boy easily.

The 2.40 class was the most interesting of the day, from the fact that there were some old heats and fine gaiters in it. Billy Baldwin looked after the b.g. Honesty. He's a gem, but carried a little too much flesh. Tom Kennedy feels proud of him, for he's not only a perfect gem but an honest gaiter. Then behind Col. Stoner sat Ed. Rooney, another cute one, whilst Green (not a bit of it) sat behind Hattie. The heats were sharp from the string, especially between Hattie and Honesty. Coming down the stretch was a sight that would have caught the Olympians of old. The mare has an awful stride, and when the fall campaign closes she will be out of the .30 class drive. Summary:

Hattie Hawthorne	1 1 4 2 1
Honesty	4 3 2 1 1
Robert R.	2 4 1 4 4
Col. Stoner	3 2 3 3 3
St. Nicholas	5 0 0 0 0

Time—2.32¼, 2.30¼, 2.29¼, 2.46, 2.36.

Running races have gone into disfavor down here, and this is not to be wondered at. In this one on the program occurred the only mishap, that nearly resulted in the death of both horse and rider—in fact two of them, Stranger and his jockey, Joe Martins, had a close call. The sports are unanimous in their verdict that he can't be killed, at least, not that way. In the first heat just as they reached the back stretch War Maid had the lead, with Rienzi a close second. Stranger went toqet up when, Joe says, Rienzi fouled him and he went clean over, quick as a flash. Ben Brace was right over him, and as he struck turned a somersault. The top of his head struck first, but logs up, and right over. This was Ben's last score. How his rider or Stranger's escaped is a miracle. Joe got the old one on his feet, saved distance, and in the last two heats fairly outrode the others. Summary:

Mile heats:—

Stranger	0 1 1
War Maid	1 2 2
Rienzi	2 3 3
Ben Brace	3 d d

Time—1.59, 1.59, 1.58¾.

Portage Du Fort hangs up $700 in purses for June 24 and 25. Trotting, pacing and running is on the bill of fare. For Dominion Day the Ottawa Driving Club will be to the front with another good show of trots. The bell has rung—no more gambling, no more winks. The club has proved that races can be run without those time-honored—on the track—institutions. I think Stoner, in the 2.40 class should and can do better, but he went lame and was drawn in the last heat. THE OLD MAN.

THE CANADIAN GENTLEMEN'S TRIP.

All the Arrangements Completed for the Trans-Atlantic Pilgrimage.

A circular has been forwarded by Mr. G. G. S. Lindsey to the gentlemen comprising his Canadian eleven with reference to the arrangements made for their tour this summer. The team will sail from pier 41, North River, New York, on July 2 at 3 p.m. on the Furnessia of the Anchor Line. Mr. C. N. Shanly, will act as umpire and Mr. A. C. Dickson as scorer during the tour. The fixtures were announced in The World on March 21 and have not been changed.

So far the invitations to the team are: Honorary membership, Dublin University (local) Club; Phœnix Cricket Club, Dublin; St. George's Club, London, and to dine at Lord's and the Oval. The game in Ireland will be under the patronage of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. The Gentlemen of Canada, with the exception of Dr. Ogden, will play (12 a side) at Scarbright against the Gentlemen of New York (Scarbright and Staten Island professionals included) June 30 and 31, and on the evening of Dominion Day will dine with Mr. Herman Clarke of New York. Members of the team leaving Toronto will take the 12.20 p.m. train from here on June 29, and those leaving from other points will arrange to be at New York on the morning of June 30, in time to take the 3-o'clock boat to Scarbright, where all must arrive at 9.30 a.m. Most of the team will return by the Ethiopia, sailing from the Clyde on Sept. 8. Coats and caps will be ready on arrival in Dublin. Rogers (professional, late of Cambridge Cricket Club) will be at Toronto at any gentleman's disposal for practice from now till June 28. Circular railway tickets have been arranged for in England, as well as hotel rates. A trip into the Trosachs has been arranged for July 31.

The team will play fifteen matches abroad, and should certainly do as well if not better than the Gentlemen of Philadelphia in 1884, when they won nearly two-thirds of their played out matches, as after the return of the Philadelphia Gentlemen Canada beat the United States in the international match at Philadelphia, in 1885 at Toronto and again at Scarbright last year. Of the eighteen matches played by the Americans on their tour, eight were won, five lost and five drawn. They lost 233 wickets for 5880 runs, average per wicket 20.73; their opponents lost 226 wickets for 5085 runs, average per wicket 22.50.

A photographic group of the members of the team has been for several days on exhibition in Allen's jewelry store. Next week's issue of English Cricket will contain a cut of the team. It is estimated that the expenses of the trip will reach $7000. The Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec is a recent contributor with a handsome amount to the fund. Dr. E. R. Ogden, who is to captain the team, sails for England this morning, and during his stay in London will be the guest of Dr. D. O. R. Jones, 34 Gloucester place, Portman-square.

Death of a $6000 Stallion.

DENVER, Col., May 27.—The trotting stallion J. W. South, valued at $6000, died today. It is alleged he was poisoned to prevent his trotting in a race yesterday.

Bicycle Spokes.

Weather and roads permitting the Wanderers will have a run to Markham, 16 miles, today, leaving the club house at 3 p.m. Tomorrow morning they will wheel from Markham to Stouffville, 7 miles, and return, dining at Markham. The return home will be made Sunday night.

Fred. Foster is thinking of getting a tricycle racer and going in for the one-mile tricycle championship of Canada at the Cameron Wheelman's Association's annual meet at Brantford on Dominion Day.

The Wanderers will run to Markham this afternoon, meeting at 3 o'clock at the Club House.

The Brants Beat the Beavers.

WOODSTOCK, May 27.—A lacrosse match in the C.L.A. championship series was played here to-day between the Brants of Paris and the Beavers of this town. It resulted in a victory for the Brants by four straight games.

"Watty" Bonnell of Toronto is understood to have played with the Brants. He does not now belong to the Toronto Lacrosse Club.

International Games.

At Rochester:

		R.	H.	E.
Rochester	1 1 2 0 0 1 4 1 0—10	20	4	
Buffalo	0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 1—4	10	3	

At Oswego:

		R.	H.	E.
Oswego	0 0 0 1 2 0 1 0 0—5	13	7	
Newark	4 3 0 2 0 0 2 0 2—13	18	1	

Pitchers: Hilsey and Miller.

The National League.

At New York:

		R.	H.	E.
Detroit	7 0 1 2 0 0 0 1 0—11	12	2	
New York	3 0 0 1 2 1 0 0 2—9	18	6	

Batteries: Weldman and Briody, George and Deasley.

At Chicago:

		R.	H.	E.
Boston	0 0 0 3 2 0 2 1 0—8	15	4	
Chicago	0 0 2 0 0 0 1 0 0—3	7	6	

Batteries: Radbourne and Daily, Clorkson and Flint.

At Philadelphia:

		R.	H.	E.
Indianapolis	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0	4	5	
Philadelphia	0 0 4 0 0 2 0 0 0—6	10	3	

Batteries: Boyle and Myers, Casey and McGuire.

At Washington:

		R.	H.	E.
Pittsburg	3 2 0 0 1 2 0 0 1—9	14	4	
Washington	2 0 3 1 1 1 0 0 0—8	16	1	

Batteries: McCormick and Correll, O'Day and Dealy.

American Association Games.

At Louisville:

		R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	0 2 2 2 0 0 0 1 2—8	15	2	
Louisville	2 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 1—5	12	4	

Batteries: Porter and Greer; Chamberlin and Cook.

At St. Louis:

		R.	H.	E.
Metropolitans	0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1	11	1	
St. Louis	0 0 2 0 0 0 1 2 0—5	13	2	

Batteries: Lynch and Donohue; Carruthers and Boyle.

At Cincinnati:

		R.	H.	E.
Athletics	0 4 1 0 1 3 0 0 0—9	17	2	
Cincinnati	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 5 0—5	9	9	

Batteries: Weyhing and Milligan; Watson and Baldwin.

Dust from the Diamond.

Weyhing, with whom Cushman once negotiated is pitching good ball for the Athletics.

Reidy is to be played behind the bat as soon as Gray is eligible to play third base for Buffalo.

Manager Chapman is said to have been real mad when he read that paragraph in The World about his players' conduct while here.

Wood and Moore will be the Hains' battery this afternoon.

It is Crane's ambition to lift the ball over the left field fence. Judging from his past efforts, he will no doubt succeed.

Crane intends to attempt this season to beat his best on record throw.

The Syracuse team, Higgins and all, left for home yesterday morning.

Sandy Griffin of the Uticas was requested whilst here to put his protege Reardon in the box. He refused on the ground that Reardon was to be reserved for the Hamilton game, and the way this young twirler was batted by the Hains doubtless reminded the Utica centre fielder of the first game Reardon pitched, when Sandy had no less than thirteen chances and base hits over his head were too numerous to be counted.

"Juice" Latham says Dundon is the only pitcher he can not rattle. Dundon has therefore to be thankful that he is deaf and dumb.

When the ball is knocked and Dundon goes for it the other players of the Syracuse team are called out to let the dummy take it.

Manager Cushman has promised the players making a home run $5. So far Faatz is the only has to get the thousand.

Someone should shout" police" the next time Slattery makes a great catch. He is expecting it.

Buffalo is negotiating for Fields' release from Pittsburg.

Newark continues to move along towards the pennant.

Jersey City is playing noticeably better ball.

Buffalo and Newark aspire to membership in the American Association.

Manager Cushman claims he has the easiest managed team in the International League. There is not a "budger" in the club.

Several excursion parties from Hamilton will take in to-day's game.

Umpire McLean is another cast-off of the older leagues.

That there will be an immense crowd at this afternoon's game is evidenced by the big sale of reserved seats at Nordheimers.

Spots of Sport.

A double rise match will be started by the Toronto Gun Club at their regular weekly shoot this afternoon. There will be three prizes, three highest total scores in five shoots to count. Every member is invited to take part in this competition.

The Rosedale Cricket Club play the Toronto Colts on the grounds of the Toronto Club at 2 o'clock to-day. The team selected are: W. H. Harris, W. Donaldson, G. S. Lyon, Hall Worth, G. H. Stephenson, — Forrester, C. E. Martin, Jas. Stark, A. J. Dodd, J. Hodgson, Geo. E. Hunia.

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Bob Lockwood, Lucy Lightfoot and Maggie May, who were racing at Brantford, returned here yesterday.

The match between the Toronto Cricket Club and Upper Canada College will take place on the grounds of the latter to-day, commencing at 2 p.m.

The Executive Committee of the Rockaway Steeplechase Association yesterday decided to hold an annual meeting of four days. The dates appointed are Sept. 21, 22, 23 and 24.

Secretary Wheatly announced yesterday that the racing season at Saratoga this year will begin on Thursday, July 21, and terminate on Tuesday, Aug. 30.

Program to be performed by the Mendelssohn Quintette Club alone worth the price of admission.

Booth's Imitation of Himself.

From the Chicago Current.

The following story of Edwin Booth's alleged failure in imitating himself is interesting. Some time during '62 the brother of the "only Hamlet" was playing in Washington, and at the close of his engagement was tendered a benefit. This was naturally a matinee, for, whatever may have been the general opinion of the acting of John Wilkes Booth, there was little dissent, especially among the gentler sex, from the fact that he was the handsomest man of the day. Edwin Booth, being in the city at the time, naturally attended, and went behind the scenes to congratulate his brother on his bumper of an audience. As Edwin stood conversing in the wings, a then popular character actor, who had been giving imitations of noted actors as his share of the program, came off the stage and began preparing to respond to a tremendous encore.

"What next?" asked Booth.

"I am going to give them you in the 'Soliloquy,'" said the specialist, nervously. "But with the original looking on I know I shall make a mess of it."

"I say, Ned," said John Wilkes, "I have an idea. Go too and imitate yourself."

The proposition struck the tragedian as a comical one. Hastily putting on the mimic's wig and buttoning up his coat he went on and delivered the celebrated speech of the melancholy Dane. The next morning the National Intelligencer, the great paper then, said that the imitations ruined the performance, each being worse than the others, "while that of Edwin Booth was simply vile enough to cause that famous actor to shudder in his shoes could he but have seen it."

London is a Big Town.

From St. Nicholas.

If any one were to walk one way through all the streets of London, he would be obliged to go a distance of 2600 miles, or as far as it is across the American continent from New York to San Francisco. In our approach to this city, as well as in our rambles through its streets, we shall not be struck so much by its splendid and imposing appearance as by its immensity. Go where we may, there seems to be no end of the town. It is fourteen miles one way and eight the other, and contains a population of nearly four million people, which is greater, indeed, than that of Switzerland or the Kingdoms of Denmark and Greece combined. We are told on good authority that there are more Scotchmen in London than in Edinburgh, more Irishmen than in Dublin, and more Jews than in Palestine, with foreigners from all parts of the world, including a great number of Americans. Yet there are so many Englishmen in London that one is not likely to notice the presence of these people of other nations.

This vast body of citizens eat every year 800,000 oxen, 1,500,000 sheep, 8,000,000 chickens and game birds, not to speak of calves, hogs and different kinds of fish. They consume 500,000,000 oysters, which, although it seems like a large number, would only give, if equally divided among all the people, one oyster every third day to each person. There are 300,000 servants in London, enough people to make a large city; but as this gives only one servant to each dozen citizens, it is quite evident that a great many of the people must wait on themselves.

THE GREAT FIRE AT PARIS

SIXTY BODIES RECOVERED FROM THE RUINS OF THE COMIQUE.

Scenes and Incidents that Startled the Big City After the Disaster—Excited Crowds Make Noisy Demonstrations in the Streets.

PARIS, May 27.—The roll call of the attaches of the Opera Comique made to-day shows that seventeen actors and employes are missing, exclusive of the supernumeraries, who were engaged nightly as they were needed and of whom no record was left.

Sixty Bodies Recovered.

PARIS, May 27.—According to an official report sixty bodies had been recovered from the ruins of the Opera Comique up to 7 o'clock this evening.

The Municipal Council has voted 10,000 francs for the relief of the sufferers by the fire.

Benefits for the Sufferers.

VIENNA, May 27.—Several of the theatres will give benefit performances in aid of the victims of the fire in Paris.

Excited Crowds in the Streets.

PARIS, May 27.—The approaches to the burned theatre are crowded with sight-seers. A pamphlet was vended on the street to-day the moral of which was that if there had been a series of ministers of fine arts with as high a sense of public duty as had been shown by Gen. Boulanger the disaster would not have occurred. The pamphlet was largely bought and produced a visible effect on the populace, which was heightened by the occasional passage of an ambulance containing a corpse. An audacious firebrand could have persuaded the crowd to do anything. All Paris turned out to witness the transfer of the corpse to the morgue.

A gentleman who was mistaken for M. Berthelot was obliged to seek refuge from a throng of indignant people amid cries of "A la Seine."

A Vienese financier named Slessaur and his wife are among the victims.

A GREAT FIRE IN NEW YORK.

The Belt Line Stables and 1275 Horses Destroyed—Loss $1,325,000.

NEW YORK, May 27.—At 1.30 this morning fire broke out in the stables of the Belt Line Car Company which covered half the block from on Tenth-avenue, between Fifty-Third and Fifty-Fourth streets. The inflammable nature of the contents of the structure, straw and hay, contributed to the flames, and in a short time the building was a ruin. So rapid was the progress of the fire that the few stablemen about at the time could rescue only twenty-five of the 1300 horses in the stables.

The fire spread to adjoining property, principally tenements, and worked great destruction. The poor people living in the houses had not time to remove their effects and many of them lost all they possessed. The fire was finally got under control at 4 o'clock. The loss is put at $1,325,000.

A Convert to Judaism.

VIENNA, May 27.—A sensation has been caused by the conversion to Judaism of Fraulein Blaskovich, a member of one of the oldest families of the Hungarian nobility. Her formal reception into the Jewish faith took place in the synagogue here yesterday. She will marry a Jewish banker of this city.

Steamship Passengers.

Mr. A. F. Webster, Cunard Line agent, reports the following Torontonians sailing from New York: Thomas Lailey, Mrs. Lailey, Miss Lailey, Hon. S. H. Blake, T. Eaton, Mrs. Eaton, E. A. Levian, Alex. Wilkie, Miss Woodbridge, Wm. Moore, Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Sandham.

A GREAT OLD SOCIETY BREAKS UP.

The Ancient Guild of Crossbowmen Disbands at Last.

From the London Standard.

A link which bound modern Europe to the middle ages has just been severed at Ghent by the dissolution of the Ancient Guild of Crossbowmen in that city. It had existed since the eleventh century, but with ever-diminishing utility, since crossbows and long bows are no longer in fashion; and the society came lately to the conclusion that it had failed to have any function to fulfil. A massive plate has all been sold, including a superb chased silver cup, presented to the association by the Archduke Albert and the Archduchess Isabella, which has now become the property of Baron Rothschild at the price of 25,000 francs.

The closing hours of the old guild were celebrated by a banquet, at which it is not to be doubted that the burghers feasted as proudly as did those of Antwerp, who, when they were entertained by the Prince of Orange, finding their benches hard, removed their jeweled velvet cloaks over them, and afterward left them to the lackeys, saying, "We do not carry away our dinner cushions!" After this final act of comradeship, when the antique crossbows were hung upon the tapestry for the last time, and the great parchment roll of the association, brimmed with spiced Rhenish, went round for the ultimate toast, the members still had a matter of ten thousand guilders in hand. This sum they transmitted to the Charity Commission of Ghent, and therewith the existence of the antique confraternity terminated.

Great and famous are the men who have belonged to it in bygone days. Its sturdy burghers and the stalwart men-at-arms maintained and drilled by them were the terror of the Duke of Alva—if anything could ever terrify that fierce and arrogant soldier, who in sixty years of warfare was never once beaten or surprised. In his time the society was a power in the State. We slay each other now by neater means, and these ancient weapons have no longer any existence, except as toys at archery meetings and in the sports of little boys. They were grimly useful, nevertheless, in the days when this guild of Ghent was flourishing, and in their time have sent about as many souls of heroes to the other world as any invention of that eminently destructive animal, man.

How the Swindle at Monte Carlo was Worked.

From the London Telegraph.

In the gambling casino of Monte Carlo a few days ago, a party of blacklegs got admission to the gaming tables, no opposition being offered to their entrance by the inspectors, although these officials are frequently blamed for their incivility to ordinary punters.

The swindlers took up a position at one of the "trente et quarante" tables. At a given signal from accomplices there was a sudden alarm and some confusion occurred, a pile of gold having fallen under the table. While people were stooping down to pick up the money, one of the blacklegs replaced the official packet of cards by a prepared one so dexterously and so quickly that no one saw the trick performed. In the meantime the attention of the officials and of the punters was further diverted from the proceedings of a gang by fellows who were going around the tables asking for information or for change for bank-notes.

When play recommenced the swindlers, sure of their affair, staked the maximum of 12,000 francs, and repeated the coup several times over. The bank paid at first, though with some astonishment, but finally suspicions were aroused, and the play was stopped. The greatest disorder then ensued, and the swindlers made away during the confusion with 300,000 francs, the French equivalent of £12,000. The croupier, supposed to have acted as an accomplice, was arrested.

Interesting Statement.

From the New York Sun

It is said that a dozen or more large shippers of this city are preparing a table designed to show that the Interstate law is being used by the railroads as a means of making extortionate charges for freight. The statement is positively made, moreover, that discriminations exist more serious than any the new law was expected to prevent. The complaining shippers propose to lay their grievances before the Commissioners.

An Old Acquaintance.

From the Boston Herald.

The man Simmons who is, according to a Monterey despatch, charged with setting the fire which destroyed the Hotel Del Monte, is named E. T. Simmons, and belonged formerly to Oil City, Pa. He is about a dozen years, since he was arrested in the East for embezzlement. As he belonged to an influential family, he was able to get a pardon. He owes a Boston publisher a big advertising bill to this day.

A GREAT REAL ESTATE OPENING.

Unexpected Opportunity for Purchasers—A Rare Situation, and One With Many Advantages.

Not often do our citizens have the opportunity before them of getting building sites in a locality combining natural and other advantages equal to those of the Rathnelly estate, for years back the property of Hon. William McMaster, but now offered in lots to purchasers by J. P. Thomson & Co., Real Estate Agents, Mail Building, Bay-street. The rare attractiveness of *the situation* mainly makes its value, but besides that the fine warm soil and splendid natural drainage tell greatly in its favor. People who want to realize what kind of an offer is now before them should try to get it into their heads where exactly the Rathnelly estate lies. Well, imagine yourself on Bloor-street, where College-avenue ends, you are then just where Avenue-road, which goes north, begins. This is now block-paved and sewered for a considerable distance up, and already it is claimed that it must be the finest residence street in the city. These improvements will directly go through the Rathnelly property, too, where already gas and city water are available. That everything may be in keeping with the splendid situation, only such buildings as are fitted for such a neighborhood will be allowed to be erected there. It lies east of the Toronto Annex, that is, nearer to Yonge-street, and is only three minutes' walk from the North Toronto station of the Canadian Pacific Railway. This gives you to understand that it is very near to Yonge-street and the street cars, while still lying all south of an east and west line from the railway station. The fact is that the property, only now newly offered, comes considerably *inside* of some others already sold and settled, thus giving purchasers good security as to what future values will be. The view of the city from the hill on Avenue-road is the very finest anywhere to be found; not the tenth part of our people have any idea of what it is like.

Nearly forty acres of this splendidly-situated estate are now open to the public as building lots. Torrens' title, prices low, and terms liberal. A fine, warm, healthy soil, every foot of it good garden ground. It will be *par excellence* a neighborhood of churches and schools, of which there are several of each there already. For walks and drives Avenue-road (the eastern boundary), Poplar Plains-road (the western), and the Davenport-road, near by, are delightful. But above all, remember the *inside situation* of the property, relatively to Yonge-street and the North Toronto Railway Station. Apply to J. P. Thomson & Co., real estate agents, Mail Building, Bay-street. See map and advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

A Talk About Stationary Engines.

The members of the Canadian Association of Stationary Engineers held a meeting last night in Temperance Hall and were addressed on engineering matters by Prof. Galbraith of the School of Practical Science. This association was formed about six months ago on a basis somewhat different from that of similar organizations. The constitution sets forth that the object of union is to elevate the craft by cultivating a spirit of enquiry and progress in its members and by requiring young men to pass a certain examination. Strikers are not recognized by the association and employers are eligible for membership and are welcome at every meeting.

Prof. Galbraith gave what he described as "a common sense talk." As he went along from engine to boiler, furnace, draughts, transfer of heat, combustion, pressure, etc., he gave his practical hearers a good many useful ideas and hints, which by their attentive manner they seemed to appreciate. President Alfred Wickens made a good chairman.

The Charges Fell Through.

The hearing of the O'Brien riot cases was resumed yesterday in the Police Court. Frank Higgins was charged with throwing stones in Wellington-street and James McKay was put into the witness box to prove the charge. His evidence, however, was not of a positive character, and as the accused swore that he had not thrown stones or anything else he was discharged. E. A. Reid, another of the accused, was also discharged, the testimony of E. C. Langley,