

A *Handicap Match* is, A, B and C, to put an equal sum each into a hat ; C, who is the handicapper, makes a match for A and B, who, when they have perused it, put their hands into their pockets and draw them out closed, then they open them together, and if both have money in their hands, the match is confirmed. In both cases, the handicapper draws all the money out of the hat ; but if one has money in his hand and the other none, then it is no match, and he that has money in his hand is entitled to the deposit in the hat.

*Free Handicap* is an expression which frequently appears in Race Lists, the meaning of which is that, a number of horses being named, a weight is placed against the name of each by the Stewards, or some disinterested person who is well acquainted with the performances of the horses. These weights are supposed to be such as will bring all the horses as nearly on a par as possible, and the list containing them being handed to the owners of each horse, they accept or decline according as they imagine the chances are for or against them.

*Give and Take Plates* are weights for inches,