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THE PEOPLE'S PASTIMES.

WHAT IS GOING OF IN SPORTING CIRCLES ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Challenges from Tisdale's Backers-Myers and Maltby-How the Sluggers Spent New Year's Night.

Zukertort, the great chess player, will be here next week. The veteran Capt. Machell will manage the stables of the dowager duchess of Montrose next season.

Capt. Cuthbert, formerly of Belleville, is making a great reputation for himself at Chicago as a yacht builder. Leonatus has been entered for all the large all-aged stakes at Louisville, Latonia, St. Louis, Chicago and Saratoga.

The Prince of Orange has given £25 to be skated for in England and the National skating association has announced its intention of holding an international contest shortly, when two of the prince's country-

men are expected to compete.

Over £409,888 was won by horses of different ages in England during the past season, and of this amount it is gratifying to notice that the classical or weight-for-age absorbed the largest sum, viz., £191,691; the value of the handicaps was £144,262; and of selling races £73,934.

After the decision of the recent two mile race at the Westminster aquarium the principal supporter of Finney offered to match his man to swim Wm. Beckwith, one mile, for the sum of £1000 a side. The race, however, must take place in open still water, and be decided in May next.

The dowager duchess of Montrose, who has left London for her new villa at Cannes, persists, says the London World, in her determination never to visit another race course. Her horses will run in the assumed name of "Mr. Manton," and be ridden in the "Grafton scarlet" of her The Montreal Witness says :- "Hamil ton is now the headquarters of Canadian baseball, although the first place nominally belongs to the Toronto club." Our religious contemporary always speaks sagaciously on sporting subjects and doubtless knows what it means. We must confess was don't

Lovers of boating will be glad to know that the Messrs. Warin of Toronto have now on hand a new oar, "The safety," which has been adopted by Hanlan and by the best rowing men. This oar has been secured to the Messrs. Warin by patent. The oar is on view at the office of L. Tomlinson, solicitor of patents, 30 King street east.

Braidwood, Ill., offering to match E. S. Tisdale against Wm. Boyd in a hundred and twenty-five yard or a hundred and fifty yard race for \$500 or \$1000 a side, to be run either at Braidwood or Chicago. If Boyd is anxious for bigger stakes, Donnelly says he will make them as large as Boyd's pocket will allow. Donnelly also ffers to back Tisdale against Quirk, and he says he has an unknown he will match at 85 yards even against Quirk if the lat-ter will post \$1060 to \$600.

Mr. W. L. Maltby, writing to the New York Sportsman in regard to the claims of Myers to the title of an amateur, says that the grounds on which he refused to grant to Myers, Snook, George, and others grant to Myers, Snook, George, and others the title of amateurs was that whether or not they made their living by athletics they certainly trained like professionals, and could do no better if they were professionals. He then goes on to say that he is inclined to favor the breaking down of all "amateur standing" rules in Canada, allowing open competition, and merely forbidding an amateur to take either prize money or gate money, or to make his living by athleties. The Sportsman says if Canadians do this, they will all become professionals.

Stealings for 1883.

The following table shows the amount of money stolen by different classes of people in the United States so far as their stealings were brought to light, during the year closing—Dec. 31. Amounts of less than stolen by bankers and heads of banking institutions leads in point of magnitude, while lawyers have been discovered in the least number of cases:

Occupation.

The entries for the Eclipse stakes are published in England. Although the number fell short of the stipulated 300 by 31, the Sandown authorities have decided to accept the entry, and the race, therefore, stands. An analysis of the nomination shows it to consist of 98 foals, 120 yearlings, 42 two year olds, seven three year olds, and two four year olds; whilst the foreign contingent numbers 46, all of whom are French, with the exception of those en-tered by Messrs. Lorillard and Keene, who have four each. The duke of Hainil-

"Horses Clipped Here" is a sign dis played at numerous livery stables. "We have clipped 150 horses this year," said a horseman yesterday. "A longcoated horse cannot get fat. When clipped the horses eat less, but gain flesh rapidly. Drive a horse with a long coat and he is soon covered with perspiration. Then, if the weather is cold, the perspiration freezes about the hair, forming tiny icicles. Livery horses brought into the barn after a long drive and covered with blankets a long drive and covered with blankets are still wet the next morning. Hence they take cold and are often seriously ill. Here is a horse you could stand a block away from and count the ribs of two weeks ago. He was clipped and now you may see how sleek and fat he is. Before the clipping he ate fifteen quarts of oats and a quantity of hay daily. Now we feed him the same quantity of hay daily. daily. Now we feed him the same quantity of oats, but he doesn't eat it all and hay he scarcely touches. Then he was a light chestnut. Now he is of a pretty mouse color. That bay horse was clipped light chestnut. Now he is of a pretty mouse color. That bay horse was clipped in October. His hair is growing long and thick and in January or February he will need the shears again. Nearly all horsemen are in favor of clipping. The best veterinary surgeons in the country say it is greatly beneficial.

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The Comparative Popularity of Literat Men.
From the London Spectator.

The Journal of Education recently offered prize to that one among its readers who should give the best list of the first ten among living English men of letters, with special mention of the literary work which is supposed to constitute the chief title to the place assigned to them, the prize to be should give the best list of the first ten is supposed to constitute the chief title to the place assigned to them, the prize to be given on the judgment of Mr. Cotter Morrison, certainly an excellent judge of English style, and himself a writer of great ability and no little charm. More than 500 readers of that journal—no doubt belonging to a special class, the class of teachers—have sent in replies; and the voting shows, on the whole, very great impartiality and a considerable feeling for style, but it is certainly more or less biased by the didactic leanings of the class to whom the appeal was made. Here are the ten who are the most popular of living men of letters, as appreciated by 500 readers of the Journal of Education, is attleted the modernization, is still in a great part externally in the same state as when Elizabeth's chancellor occupied it. No house in the land is so full of recollections of the Virgin queen. She is there "a la Diane," a portrait taken when quite young, and also in gorgeous gown, well known through the engraving from Trom nre and modernization, is still in a great part externally in the same state as when Elizabeth's chancellor occupied it. No house in the land is so full of recollections of the Virgin queen. She is there "a la Diane," a portrait taken when quite young, and also in gorgeous gown, well known through the engraving from Trom nre and modernization, is still in a great part externally in the same state as when Elizabeth's chancellor occupied it. No house in the land is so full of recollections of the Virgin queen. She is there "a la Diane," a portrait taken when quite young, and also in gorgeous gown, well known through the engraving from Zucchero. Suits of armor hang like sentinels around the long pallery, half hall, half corridor, by which you enter. The staircase is of oak, with huge carved lions on the landing, and the drawing rooms are splendid. The dining hall contains portraits of Charles I., the properties of the land is so full of recollections of the Virgin queen. She is there "a biance." No house in t to whom the appeal was made. Here are the ten who are the most popular of living men of letters, as appreciated by 500 readers of the Journal of Education, with the names of the works in right of which the place assigned to them is given:

No. of Votes.

"In Memortam" (257)

We should have thought it clear that Mr. Spencer, great as his influence as a thinker has been, has not gained his position by literary qualities, properly so called, at all; while Mr. Freeman, again, is much more of an historian than of a writer, much greater in learning and in judgment than in charm of style. We are astonished to see Sir Henry Taylor, the author of Philip van Artevelde, so low on the list. He stands only thirty-first, and received only twenty votes; whereas, in our opinion, he should certainly have stood sixth, and perhaps even higher. Even the winner of the prize does not include Sir Henry Taylor's name among the first ten, Mr. Cotter Morrison having awarded the

prize to a gentleman whose list is as follows: follows:

1. Browning... "Dramatic Lyrics."

2. Tennyson... "In Memoriam."

3. Swinburne... "Atalanta in Calydon."

4. Newman... "Apologia pro Vita Sua."

5. Ruskin. "Modern Painters."

6. Mathew Arnold. "Empedoeles on Etna."

7. W. Morris... "Life and Death of Ja-8. John Morley..." Voltaire.".
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The Cavern at Sark.

What is Catarrh? From the Mai (Canada) Dec. 15.
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developed under lavorable circulistances, and these are: Morbid state of the blood, as the blighted corpuscle of tubercle, the germ poison of syphilis, mercury, toxemea, from the retention of the effeted matter of the skin, suppressed perspiration, badly ventilated sleeping apartments, and other poisons that are germinated in the blood. These poisons keep the internal lining membrane of the nose in a constant state of irritation, ever ready for the deposit of the seeds of these germs, which spread up the nostrils and down the fauces or back of the throat, causing ulceration of the throat, up the custachian tubes, causing deafness, burrowing in the vocal cords, causing hearseness; usurping the proper structure of the bronchial tubes, ending in pulmonary consumption and death.

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Oscar Wilde has had a bad time in his Oscar Wilde has had a bad time in his native Dublin. The Gaiety theatre is small, but twice too large for the accommodation of those who went to see and hear the original of Bunthorne. Even of those many remained not to pray, but to carry out their original intention of scoffing. They laughed at his dress, his attitudes, his sentiments, and his language. His manner of meeting interruptions was rather effective. He simply came to a dead halt in the middle of a sentence, and waited till his critics felt themselves the waited till his critics felt themselves the the object of general attention, whereupon they held their peace.

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