

## CLOSELY CONTESTED.

The Champions Get Two Runs and London Secures Nothing.

Kitestring, the London Horse, Takes First in the Queen's Plate.

The "Advertiser" Ball Club Defeated the River Bank-Other Sporting Items of Interest to all Sorts of People.

## WHITWASHED!

The success which has attended the exertions of the Teumess for the previous two games had a very desirable effect on the attendance Saturday. About 600 of the admirers found their way to the park and witnessed one of the closest and most interesting games of the season. It would also have been a very satisfactory game but for the fact that the two runs secured were pitted against the long string of the home team's cyphers. Knauss, who was finally struck out on three successive lobs, was well in the box for the visitors and with the exception of the eighth inning was as cool as an iceberg. Roche furnished the amusement for the audience in the seventh inning when after two men were out he fouled about fifteen balls to the great annoyance of Knauss. He was finally struck out on three successive lobs. The visitors scored both their runs in the second inning, Virtue opening up the fun with a safe hit over second base. He stole second and scored on Knauss's two-base hit to Leighton. Rhue was advanced to third on a passed ball and made a daring start home on a ball that bounced out of Roche's hands and rolled slowly toward Jones, who watched it with the greatest complacency and did not move a muscle. In their fourth Virtue cracked the ball out to Leighton for three bases, but he was left there, the next three batters going out in succession. The London's chances for scoring were good in both the first and eighth innings, but fine work by Knauss nipped their aspirations in the bud. In the first with one man out, Leighton drove the ball past second for a base. He was sent to second on Friel's hit to Donnelly, but the ball to Knauss left them without a run. Hiland made a clean hit towards Hulm in the eighth, after Jones had accomplished his third strike out, stole second and was sent to third on a scratch by Leighton. Friel and Wright then fled out to Campau and Higgins, which retired the side. Lutenberg opened up the last inning in good style with a hit to center. He stole second but the next three batters going out in succession left the game in the hands of the visitors. Score:

	DETROIT	BALTIMORE	P.O.	A.	E.
Whelock, s.....	4	0	0	4	2
Leighton, 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Connelly, cf.....	0	0	0	0	0
Campau, cf.....	0	0	0	0	0
Connelly, cf.....	0	0	0	0	0
Virtue, 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Hiland, 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Clayton, 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Knauss, p.....	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	30	2	8	7	1

	LONDON	BALTIMORE	P.O.	A.	E.
Hiland, r.f.....	0	0	0	0	0
Leighton, c.f.....	0	0	0	0	0
Connelly, 1f.....	0	0	0	0	0
Wright, 2b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Lutenberg, 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Connelly, 3b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Parks, s.....	0	0	0	0	0
Roche, 1b.....	0	0	0	0	0
Jones, p.....	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	33	0	7	23	8

\*Campau out for running out of base line.  
Detroit..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
London..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Earned run-Detroit 1.  
Three-base hit-Rhue.  
Two-base hit-Rhue.  
Stolen bases-Campau, Virtue, Rhue, Hiland, Leighton, Lutenberg.  
Bases on balls-Jones 1, Donnelly 1, Knauss 2, Friel, Rhue, 1.  
Struck out-By Jones 1, Knauss, Virtue by Knauss 6, Wright, Leighton, Roche, Jones 3.  
Passed balls-Rhue 2.  
Time-1:55.  
Umpire-McLaughlin.  
Attendance-600.

DOTS OF DEFEAT.  
A close tussle.  
Everybody got his money's worth.  
Ruddy's voice was sadly missed at coach.

If London gets two games to-day, they'll not growl about Saturday's.  
Wright and Parks both distinguished themselves on difficult fly catches.  
Pitcher Michael Jones assisted Knauss to fatten up his strikework record on Saturday.

Rhue's trip home in the second was one of the most daring exhibitions of base-stealing seen in the park this season.  
Although the Detroiters were credited with eight hits, three of them were of the scratch order, and the one by Knauss was given him by Wright, who prevented Hiland from cutting it.

The Detroiters got rattled in the eighth when it appeared that London would tie the score. They kicked hard against both the umpire's decisions when Hiland and Leighton stole second, but McLaughlin got a catch and they soon settled down to play again.

SATURDAY'S CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES.  
At Hamilton (Morning). R. H. E.  
Hamilton..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Astoria-Bay City..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Sprague, B. Twohey, Sheppard and Arnold. Umpire-Curry.  
At Hamilton (Afternoon). R. H. E.  
Hamilton..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Astoria-Bay City..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Petty and Spies, Stein and Brown. Umpire-Curry.  
At Toronto (Morning). R. H. E.  
Toronto..... 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Buffalo..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Tibbott and Grim, Dunning and McLeod. Umpire-Henkel.  
At Toronto (Afternoon). R. H. E.  
Toronto..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Buffalo..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Tibbott and Grim, Dunning and McLeod. Umpire-Henkel.

PLAYERS' LEAGUE.  
At Boston. R. H. E.  
Boston..... 3 0 2 1 0 0 1 0 2 3 12  
Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 12  
Batteries-King, Burt and Doyle, Daly, Doyle and Kelly. Umpires-Ferguson and Gilbert.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HATS AT BELTZ'S.  
Our stock was never so replete with desirable goods.  
Hil Hats, Felts, Traveling Hats and Caps, Children's Nobby Headgear, etc.  
The backward season has been very full in stock, and we are anxious to get the public here. This is a chance for Queen's Birthday that is seldom met.

SIGN OF BLACK BEAR

At Philadelphia..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Philadelphia..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Sanders, Knell and Cross, Had and Holling. Umpires-Gaffney and Barnes.  
At New York..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
New York..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Keefe and Ewing, O'Brien and Sutcliffe. Umpires-Gunning and Matthews.

At Brooklyn..... 2 1 1 0 0 0 1 2 8 14 2  
Brooklyn..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Hayes, Van Halten, Cook, Staley and Quinn. Umpires-Jones and Knight.

NATIONAL LEAGUE. R. H. E.  
At Philadelphia..... 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 9 13 8  
Philadelphia..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Gleason and Schriver, Gray and Burger. Umpire-McQuade.

At Brooklyn..... 3 0 1 0 0 0 1 2 7 10 3  
Brooklyn..... 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 3 12 4  
Batteries-Russell and Buckley, Conklin and Zimmer. Umpire-Lynch.

At Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Boston..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Durbin and Keenan, Nichols and Hardisty. Umpire-McMerritt.

At New York..... 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 5 5 5  
New York..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
Batteries-Russell and Buckley, Conklin and Zimmer. Umpires-Powers and Zacharias.

THE RECORD.  
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Batteries-Russell and Buckley, Conklin and Zimmer. Umpires-Powers and Zacharias.

THE "ADVERTISER" CLUB'S FIRST GAME.  
A game of baseball was played Saturday afternoon between the "Advertiser" club and the River Bank club at the latter's grounds, near Springbank. It proved rather one-sided, the Riverbank proving too strong for their opponents. The two teams were evenly matched, but the Riverbank was too strong for their opponents. The two teams were evenly matched, but the Riverbank was too strong for their opponents.

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two out of the team's total of three base hits and had four assists. In the afternoon he made one hit of the two made, and also secured two outs, four assists and one error. So Doyle did three-fifths of Saginaw Bay City's batting for the day. He made two hits in Friday's game.

THE TOLLE.  
THE ONTARIO JOCKEY CLUB'S MEET.  
TORONTO, Ont., May 24.—The Spring meeting of the Ontario Jockey Club was commenced to-day at Woodbine Park and an excellent day's sport was enjoyed by an attendance numbering close upon 12,000.

The afternoon was gloomy and occasional showers fell and the course was heavy and sodden by recent rains. As a result the times made were slow.

The starters in the Queen's Plate race were Johnny Hunter (G. Kennedy), Alde-de-Camp (C. Milligan), Wild Morn (W. Hendrie), Rose May, Bud (H. S. Douglas), La Blanche (A. E. Gates) Flip-Flap (Orkney Stables) and Kite string (T. D. Hodgson). Rose Maybad was the favorite with the turf, and good odds were offered on that filly.

The horses made a good start, Rose Maybad, La Blanche, Flip-Flap and Kite string being about neck and neck for the first mile. Rose Maybad then made play to take the lead and went ahead with quite a burst of speed. The favorite had not gone far, however, before she staggered and dropped, and threw her rider.

E. Kennedy, fracturing his leg and wrist. Kite string then forged to the front and won by two lengths. Time—2 minutes 22 seconds. La Blanche and Flip-Flap followed the order named.

The other events resulted as follows: Trial stakes, three-quarters of a mile—Objection (J. E. Sagran) 1, Minnie Palmer (W. Hendrie) 2, Bledsoe (Welling) 3. Time—1:10. Umpire—J. E. Sagran. Time—1 minute 20 seconds. Seven ran. Woodbine steeplechase, about 2 miles—Only two starters, Mackenzie and Repealer, and the former had an easy victory. Carriage handicap, 1 mile—Pericles (Pitcheley Stables) 1, Redfellow (J. P. Daves) 2, Stonemason (J. E. Sagran) 3. Other starters were Echo, Felix, Reusner and Gladstone.

Only three ran; Periwinkle led throughout and won at a canter.

Helter skelter chase—Mackenzie (Bay-Woodville) 1, Valour (Villain Stables) 2, Five ran, but only the two came up at the finish. Mackenzie won easily.

NOTES ON THE RACES.  
Mr. Daniel Curtin, of this city, rode Kitestring.

Cartroll, the dam of Kitestring, won the Woodcock plate five years ago.

The accident to the Peters mare caused much regret, as she was very promising.

Rose Maybad wrenched her "whirlbone," which was the cause of her death.

Rose Maybad was taken off the track long ago, but had expired in about half an hour.

Eleven years ago a London horse won the Queen's Plate. It was King George, owned by Col. Peters.

"Colonel," the winner of the Queen's Plate last year, was sold by Mr. Hodgson three months before the race.

The Queen's Plate was thought to be between La Blanche and Rose Maybad. But the bookmakers were fooled.

Kitestring is a 4-year-old mare, raised at M. H. Hodgson's place at Cananac, Ont. She was sired by Judge Curtin, her dam being Cartroll.

Mr. Hodgson's horses have been unusually successful at Toronto. La Blanche, who last year won the Queen's Plate, was sold by Mr. Hodgson two years ago.

The well-known animal, Bonnie Gertrude, known as Col. Peters' mare, was at the races in charge of Mr. D. H. Grand.

At the water-jump, and then ran away, having to be driven.

The owner of Kitestring, Mr. T. D. Hodgson, of London, does not make a specialty of racing horses. He enters animals which he has bred, and if not disposed of they are run by him. It proved lucky this time.

At the first attempt to start in the Queen's Plate, Mr. Migu's animal, with its head between its legs and rolled completely over, crushing its rider badly. He was taken to the hospital and another jockey substituted.

RACES IN FRANCE.  
PARIS, May 25.—The Prix de Diane (French Oaks) to-day at Chantilly was won by Donon's Wandora, Aumont's Nativia second, Liliane third.

THE AYLMER RACES.  
AYLMER, Ont., May 25.—The races held here yesterday were a grand success, first with understanding that the two first races did not fill. There was the keenest competition in all the events, and there was a very large crowd in attendance. Following was the program:

Three minute races.  
Lora Rooker, J. Cline, Aylmer..... 1 1 3 1  
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Lora Rooker, J. Cline, Aylmer..... 1 1 3 1

Local and Farmers' class:  
Chester..... 1 1 1  
Littie..... 2 2 2  
Smiler, A. Cook, Bayham..... 2 2 2  
Black Maud, A. Becker, Port Rowan..... 4 4 4  
Brown Charlie, A. H. Saxton, Port Rowan..... 3 3 3  
Well..... 3 3 3  
Gray Eagle, Port Rowan, driver..... 4 4 4

Running race:  
Young Astronomer, W. Hare, Aylmer..... 1 1 1  
Nettie, T. W. Hare, Aylmer..... 2 2 2  
Daisy, Lyman Corless, Springfield..... 2 2 2  
Nettie, A. L. Brown, Aylmer..... 4 4 4

CRICKET.  
PARIS, Ont., May 25.—A cricket match was played here yesterday between the Simcoe and Paris clubs, which resulted in favor of Simcoe by 1 run and 9 wickets. Score: Simcoe, first inning, 62; second inning, 17; Paris, first inning, 35; second inning, 43.

GUELPH, Ont., May 25.—Hamilton defeated the Guelph club yesterday. The score: Hamilton, first inning, 154; Guelph, first inning, 17; and when time was called in the second inning Guelph had made 80 with two men out.

SOUTH LONDON JUNIORS.  
The South London Junior Cricket Club held its first meeting on Saturday evening and elected its officers as follows: President, C. E. Hunt; vice-president, A. A. Boker; captain, James Pope; committee management, Norman Alexander, Ray Samson, Ed. Hungenford; treasurer, Charlie Hunt; secretary, Willie Pope. The Secretary's address is 183 Tring street, and he will be glad to receive challenges from clubs of juniors under 15 years of age. The subscription to the club is 50 cents, which with some assistance from the seniors should be ample for the season. It is to be hoped that parents of lads under 15 will permit and encourage their boys to join the club and play cricket, the self-imposed discipline necessary to success in the game.

being most useful in forming the character for success in the battle of life.

TO-DAY'S GAME ON THE ASYLUM GROUNDS.  
The South London juniors, who are to play against the Asylum Cricket Club this afternoon will leave Trebilcock's Hall at 1 o'clock sharp (12:30, if possible), as wickets must be drawn at 2 p.m. Some members of both teams are anxious to try the American innovation of "blocks of three," which most English players regard, to parody cricket. To-day's match will afford a good chance to test the value of the new style, which has, however, been gotten up more with the idea of drawing spectators and consequent gate money than in the interest of good cricket. Cricketers generally regard gate money as a secondary consideration.

MR. GRACE'S CRICKET ANTIQUITIES.  
Dr. W. G. Grace, in his new work entitled "Forty Years of Cricket," says: "I have traced the game from its earliest beginnings down to the end of 1862, and now give a short resume of the important landmarks in its history."

Club ball was played in the 13th century. Hand-in and hand-out was played in 1477.