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GREAT DAY FOR RACING

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CLOSE FINISHES THE ORDER OF THE DAY

Havoc Captures the Opening Event Handsomely—Sleepy Belle Proves Herself a Worthy Daughter of the Mighty Salvator in the Second—Thorncliffe Surprises Everybody in the Third—Millbrook and Springal Finish in the Queen's Plate as Anticipated—Lawyer, the Favorite, Lands the Royal Canadian Steeplechase and Stonemason Runs First All the Way in the Selling Race.

A great day and great sport must be the verdict regarding the opening day of the Ontario Jockey Club races. There was a large attendance, numbering probably between four and five thousand. Included in the multitude were nearly all the prominent people of the country, including many from Owen Sound, who had come down in the fond hope that Dictator would get better than third in the Queen's Plate, which position he occupied. Without exception the finishes were all close and exciting. Even in the Plate, which was apparently won easily, Dictator was close enough to make things interesting, although it was apparent that had the Seagram pair anything to fear they could have made faster time and have put on an extra spurt. In that case the result would have been different, for Millbrook was done, and pulled up lame on his very dickey forelegs. But the result so far as the stable was concerned would have been the same, for they had it in their "mitt" all the way. Moorland started out to make the running for his stable companion, and make it he did in magnificent style, cutting things so fine that before half

Mr. J. E. Seagram's b.c. Millbrook, 4 years, by Springfield—Imp. Milly.

the distance was run it was a loafing race for the ultimate victors—the representatives of the popular yellow and black. When the winner rode in to scale the applause was loud and long, the people recognizing that even if it was the sixth win of the stable it was not luck, but pluck and enterprise and confidence in his staff that accomplished the multiplicity of deeds. Mr. Seagram trusts his employes and he trusts them. Therein combined with his own liberality, courage and intelligence, lies his success.

All the other races, though dwarfed in comparison, according to popular ideas, were full of interest. In the first race there was a bit of a surprise. Havoc was known to be in good fettle, but it was thought his forte was rather long distance than sprinting, but he proved he could sprint as well as the best of them and won rather easily, although Silk Gown, who got the worst of it from the machine, which was hardly a success, thanks mainly to Ravenhill, who acted diabolically, rearing and plunging all over the course, was coming all the way. She would hardly have caught Havoc, no matter how far the distance, but she forced her way through her horses in a style that proved her to be a great race mare. Havoc had a good deal up his sleeve at the finish, and ran like the racehorse he undoubtedly is when right. The victory was immensely popular, especially in the stand, the occupants of which undoubtedly were pleased to see a change from black and yellow. And Mr. Boyle is an old-

The winner of the Juvenile Scurry.

timer who has worked hard and long with only moderate success. He deserved his triumph, if any man could, and it was immensely pleasing to notice the reception he got.

The second race, the Juvenile Scurry, was, as its name indicates, for the youngsters, and again there was a popular success, Mr. Dawes' in Sleepy Belle, by Salvator, has undoubtedly a filly of the first rank in quality. She won entirely on her ability, for, getting away anything but well, she forced her way through her horses in spite of numerous challengers, stalled off and got there. Mr. Hendrie was second with his good colt Cardinal by imported Candlemas, a full brother to that hundred thousand dollar English Derby winner, St. Blaise, and in the same Cardinal he has a colt that is bound to distinguish himself in some more ambitious field than he was in on Saturday. Bon Ino was third. Had she done better it would have only been as her breeding warranted, for Bonnie Ino, her dam, was a far speedier and better mare than her performance in getting second to Kitestring in the Queen's Plate of 1890 indicated. The others in the race were an exceptionally good lot, as was proved by the fact that at the end there was not a great deal to choose between them and they were all within hailing distance of the leaders.

Third came the Hunter's Flat Race. This was a speculative race if ever there was one. Lawrence, with Joe Doane up, was strongly tipped, and went to the post the choice of many, who knew that in his owner he had a sterling rider of first-class ability. But he hadn't the speed and there was an end of it. He got into a bad place at the upper turn, and couldn't get out of it in time to give him an opportunity to challenge the winner. All Blue had done wonders at practice and was rightly greatly fancied, but he was beaten out half a length by the previously despised Thorncliffe, twice a disappointment in the Queen's Plate. He had a master on his back in the person of Mr. Alexander Loudon, perhaps the best gentleman jockey, not only in Canada, but in all America. Mr. Loudon worked on the despised all the way, and landed him a winner, not because he had the best horse, but because he persisted from start to finish. If Thorncliffe had had an equally determined rider on his pack in his other races he would not have shown up so badly. His rider was certainly more tired than the horse at the finish. In fact his win was one of the best feats of horsemanship ever seen on a race track. And weren't horse, owner (Mr. Robert Davies), and rider cheered at the termination of the race! No such scene was ever seen at Woodbine. Mr. Davies being kept busy long after in receiving congratulations.

Now comes the piece de resistance in popular idea of the whole meeting—the Queen's Plate. By general consent it was acknowledged that Mr. Seagram would run one, two, and some thought, one, two and three. But it was a pretty contest for all that. Moorland the third of the string, went out to make the running, and make it he did at a merry clip. He got away in front and stayed there until half the distance Dictator pounding at his heels all the way. Rounding for the eastern turn the usual closing up took place. Then Moorland dropped back and Millbrook, who finished a cripple, and Springall took up the running. After that the result was never in doubt, Millbrook simply winning because, baring his stable fellows, he had behind him, perhaps, the poorest lot of horses in the aggregate that have started for Her Majesty's guineas during the last fifteen years.

The steeplechase was a pretty race for half the course. Lawyer took the lead at the first jump, and won all the way. The distance was too long for Tom Nye, who took all the jumps in gallant style. Revolver was beaten an eighth of a mile. None of the Jockeys were injured.

After a lengthy delay the field went off to a good start for the last race,

Mr. William Hendrie's b.g. Lochinvar, 5 years, by imp. Cheviot—Arethusa.

Stonemason replaced Mr. Sass in the lead at the quarter, and won as he pleased. Crimea beat Alamo by only a neck for the place. Stonemason was heavily played and it was of course a most popular victory.

Some Who Were There.

The Government House box was noticeable for the absence of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, on account of the death of Mr. Fred Kirkpatrick, His Honor's brother. Recent family bereavement also left a gap in the President's loge. In Vice-President Hendrie's box were Mr. and Mrs. William Hendrie, Miss Hendrie, Mrs. Christina Hendrie, just returned from Europe, looking remarkably well in a Parisian gown; Major and Mrs. Hay, Major and Mrs. Hendrie. The President's box (Sir Frank Smith's) was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Foy, Miss Park (Amherstburg), Mr. and Mrs. Barlow Cumberland. In Vice-President Davies' box were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davies, Miss Davies. Among the others were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Alexander, Hon. John and Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. and the Misses Ferguson of Eastlawn, Capt. W. R. Ferguson, Dr. Andrew Smith, Mrs. and the Misses Smith, Mr. D. King Smith, Mrs. Lyndhurst Ogden, Miss Ogden, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beatty Misses Beatty, Mr. H. Beatty, Miss Battle Lee, Mr. C. W. Beatty, Miss Lily Gooderham, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Cox, Miss Evelyn Cox, Miss Leverich (New York), Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Langmuir, the Misses Langmuir, Dr. and Mrs. J. F. W. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Hume Blake, Mrs. J. Charles Macdonald, Miss Small, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Creelman, Mr. and Mrs. McLeod Stewart (Ottawa), Mr. and Mrs. Reynauld, Gamble, Captain and Mrs. Forsythe Grant, Miss Beverley Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Plummer, Mr. J. B. Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. George Kappele, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lorne Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Melfort Boulton, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White, Mr. and Mrs. Beardmore, Mr. George W. Beardmore, Mr. H. T. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. John Small, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Langdon Wilks (Galt), Mrs. Juchereau Kingsmill, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Cox, Mr. George Monro, the Misses Monro, Mr. and Mrs. David Walker, Miss Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Gibson, Mrs. A. B. Cameron, Mr. and Mrs. John King, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Kerr, Miss White, Mr. Stewart Houston, Miss Houston (Niagara Falls), Mr. and Mrs. James Carruthers, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Merritt, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Osler and the Misses Osler, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hammond, the Misses Crombie, Mr. G. A. Stimson, Mrs. W. Macculloch, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Sybil Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Boswell, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. R. Cockburn, Mrs. and the Misses Arthurs, Mr. Victor Cawthra, Lieut.-Col. Otter, Col. and Mrs. Buchan, Miss Buchan, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Seagram (Waterloo), Dr. and Mrs. Bowlby (Berlin), Mr. and Mrs. Warnock (Galt), Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Buchanan, Mr. D. R. Wilkie, Miss Wilkie, Misses Homer Dixon, Mrs. and the Misses Larratt Smith, the Misses Brock, Mr. Reginald Brock, Mr. A. P. Burritt, Major and Mrs. Cosby, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. Davidson, Miss Louisa Leslie, Mr. R. O. McCulloch, Captain and Mrs. Myles, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. P. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Snydan, the Misses Coldham, Dr. Baines, Dr. and Mrs. Grasett, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Beardmore, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Beaune, Mr. W. H. Biggar (Belleville), Mr. T. G. Blackstock, Mr. C. A. Bogert, Mr. C. R. Boulton, the Misses Boulton, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. John Duncan, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. B. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Case, Mr. W. H. Cawthra, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Coulson, Mr. Frank Darling, Col. and the Misses Dawson, Judge Finkle (Woodstock), Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Fuller (Woodstock), Mr. H. D. Gamble, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Lee, Mr. Allan McLean Howard, Mrs. Lucy Howard, Mr. A. B. Lee, Mr. W. A. Levy, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lottridge (Hamilton), Miss Lottridge, Mr. and Mrs. Lally McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Macdonald, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Maclean, Major Mead, Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Murray, Mr. W. T. Murray, the Misses Murray, Mr. Wallace Nesbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Northcote, Mr. Albert Nordheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vankoughnet, Mr. A. E. Osler, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Pringle, Mr. Clive Priestle, Miss Cordelia Good, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ryan, Mrs. Austin Smith, Mrs. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Skinner, Dr. Strange, Dr. Strathy, Mr. J. R. Strathy, Dr. and Mrs. Temple, Mr. George W. Torrance, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Worts, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Yarker, the Misses Yarker.

Entries for Monday.

First race—Grand Stand Purse, $350 for all ages, of which $75 to second horse and $25 to third; ¾ mile:

(Entries could not be go.)

Second race—Selling; $300, of which $50 to second horse; for 2-year-olds, entered selling price $800; winner to be sold at auction to the highest bidder; any horse could be claimed; entrance free; ¾ mile:

(Entries could not be go.)

Third race—Toronto Cup, for 3-year-olds and upwards; a sweepstakes of $20 each, half forfeit, with $1500 added, of which $350 to second horse and $150 to third; penalties and allowances; 1¼ miles:

Silk Gown	117	Halifing	117
Connoisseur	122	Lord Nelson	131
Havoc	117	Booze	118
Distant Shot	99	W. B.	123
Maurice	120	Peytonia	121
Sauteur	127	Subito	101

Fourth race—Redcoat race (No. 1); a sweepstakes of $20 each, half forfeit, the subscribers to be members of recognized hunt clubs, O.J.C. to add $600, of which $125 to second and $75 to third; about 2½ miles:

Cockatoo	168	Baronet	180
Amos F.	170	Laddie	173
Lou Daly	175	Grand Falconer	170
Melbourne	168	Venus	182
The Tough	163	All Blue	168
Prince Charlie	175	Royal Bob	182
Max	182	Ebbis	168
Waterloo	182	Long Run	163

Fifth race—Ontario Plate, $400 added, of which $100 to second and $50 to third; for maidens owned, bred and raised in the Dominion; 1⅛ miles:

Dan Gordon	119	Clipmont	103
Bradlaugh	103	Dandelion	100
Millbrook	122	Springal	103
Moorland	103	Dictator	123
Stepplingstone	117	Maylight	101
Lochinvar	123	Queen of Scots	101
Garter King	103	Gladiator	106

Sixth race—Woodbine Steeplechase; purse $400, of which $75 to second horse and $25 to third; about 2½ miles:

Eppleworth	156	Vicar W'k'ff'd	153
Dom Pedro	149	Somersault	157
Lion Heart	158	Lawyer	147
Alfonsina	152	Tim Baker	153
The Rat	154	Red Pat	153
Pat Oakley	157		

THE TORONTO'S LOST.

Springfield Put Up an Errorless Game and Won by a Run.

It was Springfield's turn Saturday, and they won a very close and exciting game. Moran started in to pitch, but was replaced by Staley in the fifth. Staley was quite effective, but the lead was too great to overcome. Swartwood gave some very close decisions against the home team. Springfield started to score in the third innings, on a base on balls, three singles and Lynch's double. Two more were added in the fifth on Padden's error and three singles. Toronto started to score in the third, on three singles and Wright's double. Two more came in the eight, on a single and two doubles. In the ninth Toronto made a desperate rally. Casey singled, O'Brien singled and Dowse bunted out. Casey came home on a passed ball. Delahanty batted for Staley and received a base on balls. O'Brien was caught at home on Wright's grounder and all that Padden could do was to put up a little foul fly to third. Springfield played a grand game in the field. Toronto lost the game through stupid base running. Attendance 1500. Score

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R.	H.	E.
Toronto	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	5	12	2
Springfield	0	0	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	6	11	0

Batteries—Moran, Staley and Dowse; Coughlin and Gunson.
Umpire—Swartwood.

National League Games.

At Cleveland—	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland 0 7 2 0 0 3 0 0 1	13	18	6
Boston 0 0 1 1 0 2 1 0 0	5	9	3

Batteries—Young and Zimmer; Stivetts and Bergen. Umpire—Weldman.

At Cincinnati—	R.	H.	E.
New York 0 2 0 0 1 1 0 0	4	8	2
Cincinnati 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0	2	7	5

Batteries—Meekin and Wilson; Ehret and Peltz. Umpire—Keefe.

At Louisville—	R.	H.	E.
Baltimore 0 1 1 1 1 0 2 6 1	13	11	0
Louisville 0 1 0 0 0 0 2 0 1	4	9	7

Batteries—Hemming and Robinson; Smith and Miller. Umpire—Hurst.

At Chicago—	R.	H.	E.
Washington 2 0 3 0 1 0 2 1 0	9	10	3
Chicago 2 1 1 3 1 0 3 0 0	11	16	7

Batteries—Maul and McGuire; Terry and Kittredge. Umpire—Sheridan.

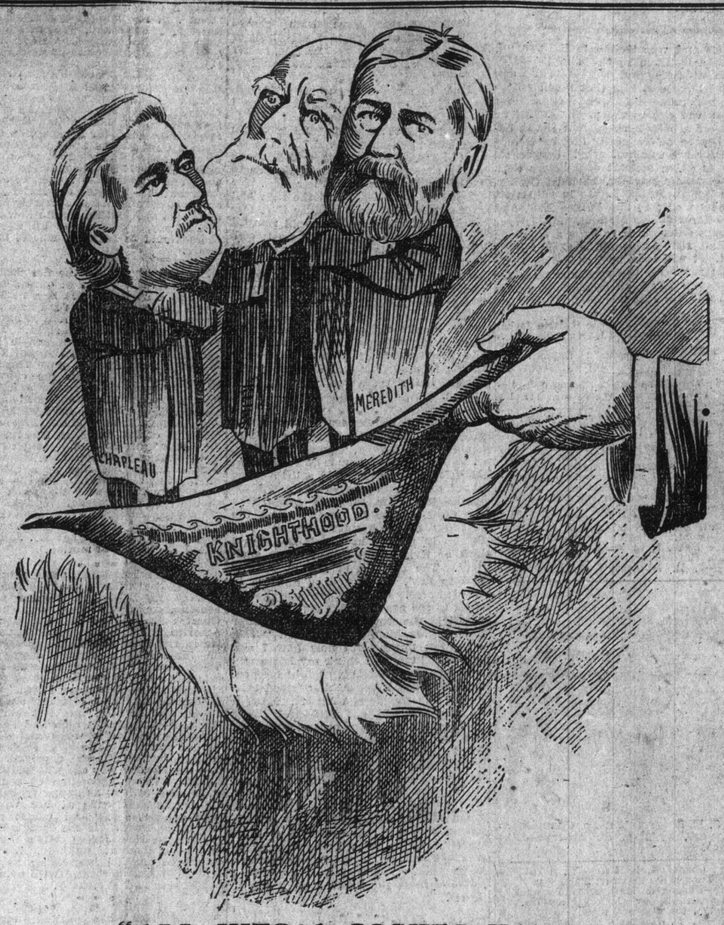
At St. Louis—	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 2	6	14	2
St. Louis 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	3	9	1

Batteries—Kennedy and Burrell; Breitenstein and Murphy. Umpire—Lynch.

At Pittsburg—	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia 0 1 0 1 0 1 2 0 2	7	11	7
Pittsburg 3 5 0 3 0 0 3 1 *	15	16	4

Batteries—Carsey, Clements and Boyle; Killen and Sugdin. Umpire—Emslie.

The Wideawakes defeated the Pastime II. by 12 to 6.



"ALL INTO A COCKED HAT."

THE DAY'S RACING CHART.

TORONTO, May 23.—Woodbine Park. Weather fine; track good; atendance large.

FIRST RACE—Trial Purse $350, for all ages, of which $75 to second and $25 to third; ¾ mile:

Weather clear. Track fast

Havoc	107	2	..	2	1	1	1½	McGlone	4	5	2
Silk Gown	122	6	..	4	5	32	22	Lewis	1	..	..
Sun Up	129	3	..	5	6	5	35	Blake	3	2	1
Eulalon	105	4	..	6	2	2	4½	McManus	8	8	3
Chiquita	117	1	..	1	2	4	5	Condon	20	20	6
Red Monk	102	5	..	3	4	6	6	Newcom	20	30	6
Smnamb'lst	121	7	..	7	7	7	7	Flint	30	30	6
Ravenhill	124	8	..	8	8	8	8	Gibbons	20	30	6

Post 5 minutes. Start good. Won easily. Place driving.

SECOND RACE—Juvenile Scurry; a sweepstake, for 2-year-olds, with $300 added, of which $75 to second horse and $25 to third; ½ mile:

Sleepy Belle	110	4h	..	5	42	11	Newmeyer	3	3	4-5
Cardinal	113	5	..	3nk	21	2½	Flint	5	4	1
Bon Ino	108	2nk	..	21	31	32	Lewis	1	1	1-2
Bird of Freedom	110	1½	..	13	1½	410	Ballard	2½	2½	4-5
Rosebery	108	3½	..	4½	5	5	Broker	5	10	4
Parbuckle	105	7	..	7	6	6	McGlone	10	10	4
Barometer	110	6	..	6	7	7	McDonald	10	10	5

Time—50 1-4

Post 11 min. Start good. Won driving. Place same.

THIRD RACE—Hunters' flat race (handicap); purse $300, of which $75 to second horse and $25 to third; 1½ miles:

Thorncliffe	148	6	6	5	4	3	2	1nk	Loudon	8	10	4
All Blue	162	4	3	2	1	2	1	2½	Skinner	1	1	2-5
Gov. Russel	151	2	1	3	2	1	3	3	Hanna	5	5	2
Ebbis	156	1	5	7	6	4	4	4	Campbell	6	10	2
Everett	153	7	7	6	7	7	7	5	Shields	6	4	2-2
Lawrence	148	5	4	4	5	6	5	6	Doane	2	2	4-5
Venus	153	3	2	1	3	5	6	7	Hayes	8	6	2
Laddie	145	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	Beardmore	5	5	2
Grand Falconer	168								Beck	3	3	1

Time—2.51 1-2.

Post, 3 min. Start good. Won easily. Place all out.

Grand Falconer was posted and bet on. Did not start.

FOURTH RACE—The Queen Plate (probable value $1300); 50 guineas ($262.50) given by Her Majesty for horses of all ages owned, bred, raised and trained in the Provnce of Ontario that have never won public money, have never been for a period of more than one month out of this Province; added to a sweepstakes of $5 each, payable at time of entry, and $5 additional, unless declared out by May 1st. The first horse to receive the guineas and stakes, and $500 added by the club; the second horse $200, and the third $100; 1¼ miles:

Millbrook	5	6	7	6	1	1	1	Lewis	1-3	2-5	
Springal	4	8	6	5	3	2	2	McManus	4	6	4-5
Dictator	2	4	3	2	3	3	3	McGlone	6	8	3
Moorland	6	1	1	1	4	5	4	Johnston	6	8	2
Brother Bob	1	2	2	3	6	6	5	Brooker	10	8	3
Lochinvar	3	3	4	4	5	4	6	Flint	*6	8	3
Bradlaugh	7	5	5	7	7	7	7	Ballard	12	20	6
Marcella	8	9	8	9	8	8	8	Paget	10	82	6
Clipmont	9	7	9	8	9	9	9	Condon	15	10	3

Time—2.19.

Post 10 min. Start Good. Won handily, place, under pull.

FIFTH RACE—Royal Canadian Steeplechase, $400, of which $75 to second horse and $25 to third; for horses that have never won a steeplechase or hurdle race; short course (about 2 miles):

Lawyer	168	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	Hamilton	8-5	8-5	3-5
Tom Nye	168	4	5	4	3	3	2	2	Donovan	4	6	2
Revolver	168	5	4	5	6	4	2	3	Croker	5	6	2
A.D.C.	161	1	6	6	5	5	4	4	Rett	5	c	2
Muscovite	163	3	2	1	2	2	*		Ellison	5	5	2
Bob Neely	168	6	3	3	4	*	*		Phair	2	2½	1

*Muscovite fell against 12th jump. **Bob Neely threw rider at the 9th jump. Aide-de-Camp ran out of course at 10th jump. Time 5.58½.

SIXTH RACE—$300, of which $50 to second horse; any horse could be claimed; entrance free; 7-8 mile:

Stonemason	2	1	1	1	1	1	Lewis	1	7-10	
Crimea	3	3	4	2	4	2	Ballard	6	4	1
Alamo	4	4	2	4	2	3	Julson	3	4	1
Mr. Sass	1	2	2	3	3	4	Flint	6	10	4
Royal George	6	6	7	6	5	5	Nehmeyer	10	12	4
Florence Colville	9	7	5	5	6	6	McGlone	10	6	2
The Duchess	5	5	6	7	7	7	Brooker	4	12	4
Prize	8	9	9	9	8	8	Ford	3	12	4
Osprey	7	8	8	8	9	9	Doggett	10	10	4

Post 12 minutes. Start good. Won pulled up. Place ridden out.

Other Eastern League Games.

At Buffalo—	R.	H.	E.
Providence 0 2 2 0 4 1 0 0 2	11	14	2
Buffalo 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 5 2 1	10	14	6

Batteries—Ruddeham and Dixon; Gannon and Wadsworth, Urquhart. Umpire—Doescher.

At Rochester—	R.	H.	E.
Rochester 1 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0	4	6	4
Wilkesbarre 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0	2	7	1

Batteries—McFarland and Boyd; Luckey and Diggins. Umpires—Crane and Stearns.

At Syracuse—	R.	H.	E.
Syracuse 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	1	4	2
Scranton 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0	2	3	3

Batteries—Whitehill and Hess; Johnson and Rafferty. Umpire—Gaffney.

'Bob' Kneebs Very Sick.

Berlin, May 23.—Bob Kneebs, the American horseman who is in jail here pending the decision of the court upon his appeal from the judgment under which he stands convicted of "ringing" a horse on the Berlin trotting track, has been taken to the prison infirmary seriously ill. It is believed that it will be nine months before all the documents necessary in his case reach Berlin from America.

The Kaiser's New Yacht Sets Sail.

Gourock, May 23.—The new racing yacht Meteor, which has been constructed in the Clyde yards by Henderson Bros., for the German Emperor, had her compasses adjusted here this morning and sailed from Gourock Bay on her trial trip. A strong westerly breeze was blowing and there was a good deal of sea. The Meteor stood well up to the breeze, pointed high and traveled fast under a small jib, but she appeared to be a little slow in stays. Mr. G. L. Watson, her designer, and Mr. John Henderson, one of her builders, were on board. They will land at Rothsay, and after putting them ashore Captain Gomes, commanding the Meteor will sail direct for Cowes.

HALF A DAY.

Dineens' Hat Store Will Be Open Until 2 O'Clock To-Day.

Saturday's rush for hats at Dineens' was so great that it is doubtful if nearly all who desired to secure new headgear for the races were supplied, and the firm has decided to keep the store open on the holiday until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. This will give an opportunity to those who did not get their racegoing hats on Saturday, of obtaining what they require. The rebuilding sale prices apply to all hats in stock, and the very newest styles are there. Sizes are unbroken and the assortment is still complete at Dineens', King and Yonge.

THE CORONA AFLOAT

Amid Screeching of Whistles and Cheers of Thousands the New Niagara Liner Takes the Water.

A gala occasion was the launch of the new Niagara steamer Corona, which took place with all customary ceremony on Saturday morning at the Bertram shipyards. At 11 o'clock the Primrose left Yonge-street wharf with a large party of prominent citizens, including Sir Frank Smith and party, John Foy, B. Cumberland, R. McBride, E. B. Osler, George H. Bertram, J. Bertram, designer of boats, A. Armstrong, A. P. Rankin, H. C. Hammond, Robt. Smith, C. J. Brough, D. Miller, R. D. Gamble, Hugh Ryan, Robt. Jaffray, C. McGill, James Medley, W. D. Matthews, Wm. Christie, J. S. Playfair, R. J. Fleming, Mayor; E. H. Keatlug, W. H. Evans, J. H. G. Hagarty, Capt. S. Crangle, A. E. Boswell, H. S. Howland, C. E. McPherson, M. C. Dicksonl R. De Nelles, A. W. Smith, J. J. Foy, John Galt, W. Wyl Keighley, Edward Gurney, J. W. Dowd, C. E. L. Porteous, Henry Beatty, J. J. Kenny, E. A. Willis, A. B. Lee, Capt. W. Hall, Geo. Chapman, Ald. Tiffin, Davies, Morgan, Baldwin, Capt. McGiffin, Capt. Solmes, Geo. E. Tuckett, Mayor of Hamilton; Adam Brown, Hamilton; Mr. Griffiths, Hamilton; W. Wallace, Hamilton; W. B. Southam, R. Kennedy, Mr. Harris and James Turnbull, of Hamilton; John R. Tilden, Hamilton; Alex MacKay, Hamilton; S. S. Hickman, Hamilton; A. G. Ramsay, Hamilton; F. W. Gates, Hamilton; Major Manley, G. B. Greene, Ottawa; Elias Rogers, Col. Coplinger, David Wood, inspector of hulls; W. Evans, J. Johnston, John Dodds, E. O'Keefe, N. Rooney, Dr. Burritt, A. Foy, Bruce McDonald, Mrs. Denison, C. H. Ritchie, J. S. Henry, Hamilton; W. Hendrie, jr., Hamilton; J. Hendrie, Hamilton; S. D. Lauders, Toronto; G. W. Torrance, B. Jennings, H. J. Furlong, A. Ed Ames, Controller Daniel Lamb, John Ryan, E. Haney, Frank S. Kirby, Detroit; J. H. Sinclair, Nova Scotia; J. W. Carmichael, Nova Scotia; A. S. Vogt, Stair Dick-Lauder, Ald. Hallam, A. E. Creelman, Q.C., and the ladies and families of the directors of the Bertram Engine Works Company and Niagara Navigation Company (Ltd.)

Glided Smoothly Down the Ways

On the arrival of the Primrose at the Northern docks, where the hull of the new boat lay flag bedecked on the ways, preparations for the launch were completed, and at 11.20 Misses Clara Foy, Mary E. Osler and Mildred Cumberland, the three little girls who were to perform the christening ceremony, released the ribbons to which the traditional bottle of champagne was attached, sprinkling the bow of the boat with Pommery from the broken flask. The ropes were then cut, and the beautiful hull glided smoothly down the ways and plunged broadside into the water. The launch was a splendid sight, and was greeted with tremendous cheering by the throngs of people who crowded the adjacent docks, the ship yard and the hull of the gallant old Cibo a, which lay in the next slip; while the dozens of steamers and steam yachts blew their whistles in salute

Those on the Platform.

Those on the platform were Sir Frank Smith, president of the Niagara Navigation Company; Mr. John Foy, manager; Mayor Fleming, Capt. Crangle, Capt. McGiffin, commodore of the line; and Messrs. George Bertram, E. B. Osler, Barlow Cumberland, R. H. McBride, James Beatty, Capt. Drackit of Cleveland and Mr. Angstrom, the Corona's designer. Capt. Solmes, who will command the new boat, stood in her bow as she made her plunge into the water.

After the launch an elegant champagne luncheon was served on board the Primrose to the specially invited guests, and congratulatory speeches were made by Sir Frank Smith Mayor Fleming, Mr. George Bertram, Mr. Barlow Cumberland and Mr. E. B. Osler, after which the party returned to the city wharf.

A Thorough Success.

The launch was most successful in every particular and the boat promises to be one of the fastest steamers on the lakes, if not absolutely the speediest. The Bertram Engine Works Company, her builders, and the Niagara Navigation Company, the owners, were the recipients of much praise on her account.

After the departure of the spectators, the hull of the new boat, which sustained not the slightest injury in the launch, was towed around to the centre dock, beside her elder sister, the Chippewa, which was resplendent in new paint and strings of flags. There is yet much work to be done before the Corona can go into commission, but the upper works are nearly ready to be placed on her.

Morris Park Winners.

New York, May 23.—First race—Glenmerine 1, Domingo 2, Aurelian 3. Time 1.30.

Second race—Horoscope 1, Eldolia 2, Golden Dream 3. Time 1.01½.

Third race—St. Maxim 1, Keenan 2, Belmar 3. Time 1.41¾.

Fourth race—Intermission 1, Cassette 2, St. Agnes 3. Time 1.43½.

Fifth race—Premier 1, Cromwell 2, The Swain 3. Time 1.42.

Sixth race—Hornpipe 1, Lansdale 2, Prig 3. Time 1.57½.

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The Neighboring Caterers Were Awakened and Fishmongers Bought Out—A Thousand Eggs Also Helped to Replenish the Larder and the Hungry Law-Makers Were Fed—Chamberlain and Kruger—The Queen's Birthday Celebration.

London, May 23.—The scene in the House of Commons yesterday morning during the discussion of the Agricultural Rating bill, when several members were suspended after being "named" by the speaker, recalled the session of fifteen years ago, when Irish questions were prominently to the fore. The all-night sitting of the House was a surprise to the manager of the refreshment rooms, who had made no provision to supply the members with breakfast. At 5 o'clock in the morning his supplies were exhausted, and there was a large crowd demanding that their wants be supplied. The manager, however, proved himself worthy of the occasion. He awakened a number of caterers in the vicinity of the House and finally bought up their supplies and the entire contents of a fish shop. All these supplies were conveyed to the House of Commons in cabs. Afterwards the manager stopped a number of market-bound wagons and bought a thousand eggs, and thus was able to meet the demands that were made upon him by the hungry members, who soon cleared the refreshment room of all its provisions. The morning papers contained full reports of the night's proceedings, and much interest was excited. Many prominent members of society went to the House yesterday morning to see the sport, and the galleries were soon filled. Among the visitors were many ladies whose husbands had been compelled to stay away from home all night, and they had the pleasure of seeing their liege lords, attired in evening dress which they had worn the previous evening, dozing on the benches. Joseph Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, had presided at the South African banquet, at the Hotel Metropole early in the evening and had gone thence to the House in full evening dress, which in the early morning seemed entirely out of place, but he had no time to change his attire. The debate in itself was not amusing, and often the participants could not curb their angry feelings.

The Proposed Irish Convention.

The decision of the Irish National party in the House of Commons to convene a National convention of Irishmen from all parts of the world in Dublin in September does not find favor among the Redmondites. Patrick O'Brien says he only wants to wipe his boots on the proposal.

Chamberlain and Kruger.

Mr. Chamberlain's speech at the South African banquet is condemned by his opponents for its undertone of menace towards President Kruger. Nevertheless the anti-Boer feeling increases. The complaint of the Transvaal regarding the concentration of the British troops on the Transvaal frontier cannot be regarded as being entirely without reason, when papers like The Manchester Courier say that General Lord Wolseley, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army, has decided that the