

Day. \$100. Match. Dash of one and a half miles.

Colonel By..... 1  
 Bob Logie..... 2  
 The Ottawa Citizen says of this race:—  
 "There was considerable betting on this race, and more than ordinary interest manifested in it. Logie led for the first mile, after which he was 'pulled' and Colonel By allowed to take the lead. Mr. B. Renaud entered a protest against the judges who declared all bets off, but gave the horses the privilege of running over again with a change of riders. This was refused to do."

Day—\$— Green Steeplechase open to all that never won a hurdle race or steeplechase.

Winter's Midnight, by Jack the Barber.... 1  
 Shaw's Longfellow, by Sunshine..... 2  
 Simon's Mora, by Sunshine..... 3  
 Smith's Phantom, by Don Juan..... 4  
 On the homestretch Midnight and Nora were almost together when Nora stumbled and was being picked up by Mr. J. P. Esmond, and the animal and mounting her rode in the end of Phantom and got third money amid the cheers of the crowd.

Oct. 19—\$— Half mile heats, for half-breds that never won a race.

and Powell's Oak Leaf..... 1 1  
 Marcott's Midnight..... 2 2  
 Time—54½, 55.

Day—\$— Open mile heats.

My Ford, ch f Ella Wotten, 4 yrs, by War Dance, dam Georgie Wood..... 2 1 1  
 E Owen, g h Gray Cloud, aged, by Under, dam by Sir Tatton..... 1 2 2  
 Time—1:54½, 1:54, 1:57.

Day—\$— Green Hurdle Race.

Brenchin's Billy Patton..... 1  
 Gordon's Marmion..... 2  
 Simon's Mora..... 3  
 Oct. 21—\$— Open steeplechase, handicap, for three miles over the regular course.

Fitzimmons, b g Squire, aged, by King Lear, dam Goneril, 147lbs..... 1  
 E Owen, gr h Gray Cloud, aged, by Thunder, dam by Sir Tatton, 168lbs..... 2  
 Smith's Phantom..... 0  
 and Powell's Bay Jack..... 0  
 Fall.

Day—\$— Dash of a mile. Riders to be on bonnets, and light a cigar after starting.

Myor's Count Kilrush..... 1  
 Marcott's Midnight..... 2  
 Coleman's Bay Boston..... 0  
 Gordon's Marmion..... 0  
 Oct 21 and 22—\$— Half-mile, heat race.

E Owen, g h Gray Cloud..... 0 0 1 1  
 and Powell's Oak Leaf..... 0 1 0 0  
 Christian's Night Hawk..... 1 0 0 0  
 Fitzimmons' Nora..... 0 0 0 0  
 The consolation race was won by Marmion.

## RACING AT WOODBINE, TORONTO.

The extra day at Woodbine on Tuesday so far the character of the racing was continued was one of the most successful of the season; but the attendance was small indeed. There has not been a better track or a more interesting day during the season. The first race was a dash of one and a half miles, for weights, all the horses carrying 149 lbs. It proved to be a hard race between so and Goldfinch, but the "old mare" beat "Veteran" to the wire by half a length. The green steeplechase there were only starters. Skylark had the best of the race up to the last hurdle, which he struck well; however his jock quickly remounted and set him agoing instantly and came out a winner by a couple of lengths, amid cheers of the spectators. Pilot was a favorite in the mile heat race; in the heat he had the advantage of the start the little Bluenose nailed him on the stretch and beat him home by a couple of lengths. Maritime had it all his own way to second head, and won handily. The summary tells the rest of the story.

Woodbine Park, Toronto, Oct. 23, 1877.—  
 Running. Dash of 1½ miles. Heavy bets. \$75, 25.

Ham Scott, ch m Goldfinch, aged, by Super dam by Lapidist, 149 lbs..... 1

way of records, but we have arrived a step nearer at the solution of a very difficult problem, and that is as to where the aquatic championship belongs. We have always maintained that next to Charles Courtney, in our opinion Hanlan was one of the best, if not the very best sculler in the world. The issue of Hanlan's late match with Ross carries us out in our assertions. However, we hope the matter will soon be set at rest. We have it now confined to three men, as to whom shall wear the title of first oarsman in America. Morris has disposed of everyone in his section of the country. Courtney has done the same in his part of the country. He has beaten Frenobry Johnson, Riley and Plaisted, while Hanlan has set at rest the claims of all the Dominion scullers. So we have it now in our own power to very quickly find out who is the best man, and then it behoves us to turn our attention to England and the Antipodes. We have no fear of the result of any contest that may take place between our oarsmen and those from the European continent. All we want is to see the men matched.—N. Y. Sportsman.

## THE COURTNEY-RILEY-JOHNSON RACE.

This took place at Owego, on Wednesday of last week, being a professional race for three prizes—\$200, \$150, and \$100. There were five entries, but only three started, neither Luther nor Ten Eyck showing up. These were in their positions at the start:

Name.	Age.	Height.	Weight.
Johnson .....	27	5.8	168
Riley .....	29	6.0	159
Courtney .....	29	6.0½	185

This position gave Courtney the south bank of the river, Johnson the north and Riley the middle, a result satisfactory all round, as Courtney would row straight anyway, Johnson was accustomed to rowing by a stone wall, and Riley to the centre of Saratoga Lake.

Courtney and Riley's boats were exactly alike, of paper, 11½ in. wide, 29 ft. long; weight, 81 lbs; made by Waters. Johnson's was of cedar, 11½ in. wide, 29 ft. long; weight, 81 lbs; made by Blaikie.

The course starts just a mile out of the village, on the Sasquehanna, and extends up the river east a mile and a half. Tuesday night Riley and Johnson sold even in the pools, but no one was willing to risk anything against Courtney. The men were called at 4 o'clock and were all in fine spirits. They started well together and kept even for the first quarter of a mile, Riley and Johnson aiming for the north shore, Courtney keeping well to his line. All the men pulled thirty strokes from the start. At the end of the first half-mile Courtney and Riley were together, Johnson hanging to their skirts, but working hard to do it. Courtney turned his stake-boat first, Riley second, Johnson two lengths behind Riley. The race home was one of the handsomest ever seen, Courtney and Riley, over near the north bank, pulling side by side, Courtney a trifle ahead. For the first half-mile both pulled as high as 86 and 89 strokes respectively, Johnson falling behind every minute. When a half mile from the finish Riley grounded his shell, losing one stroke and a few seconds' time. He then spurred, and Courtney easing up, Riley came within a length of him. Johnson was 300 feet behind. Courtney crossed the line in 20m. 14½ sec., and Riley ten seconds later. Johnson's time was not taken, but he was one minute behind Riley.

## A POSSIBLE CAUSE OF ROSS' DEFEAT.

We all know by experience that we have sometimes to go a long way from home for news. A bit of news of a most refreshing character we find in the telegraphic des-

The "Telegraph."—The only reason evident why Hanlan won is that as an oarsman he is superior to Ross. There does not seem to have been many moments during the period of the entire race when Ross had any chance of winning, and these he was unable to turn to account. It would seem as if the backers of Ross had not formed any adequate notion of the aquatic powers of his opponent.

The "Globe."—From the very first it appears to have been apparent that Ross, though he showed great pluck and determination in pulling through the race, was no match for the Toronto man.

The "Daily News."—Is satisfied that Hanlan is too many for Ross. Notwithstanding that most of the St. John men lost heavily on Ross—although not so much as they would have had Hanlan's friends shown more backbone—they all agree that Hanlan is much the better man of the two, and that the race was as fair as could be expected.

## RECEPTION TO ROSS.

Upwards of one thousand persons went to the railway station, St. John, N. B., on the morning of the 19th, to receive Wallace Ross the oarsman. He arrived at 9:40, and was greeted with cheers and hurrahs, the band playing the Ross triumphal march. The procession then moved and drove through the principal streets of the city, halting in front of the market building and the band playing popular airs. The first barouche contained Mayor Earle, Mr. James Donville, M.P., Mr. George A. Barker, and Wallace Ross. Members of the oarsman's party occupied the other carriages. The pageant could hardly have been greater if Ross had returned a victorious instead of a defeated man.

## EXCERPTS FROM THE PRESS.

The "New York Spirit of the Times."—  
 \* And now comes the oarsman, Courtney, and pulls three miles in 20m 14½s., beating his own previous record of 20m 47s., out of sight. We hope that Courtney will now meet Hanlan, who seems to be his only rival on this continent, and after that a match between the winner and Higgins, of England, or Trickett of Australia, would produce intense excitement."

"The N. Y. Sportsman after giving its correspondent's account of the race says in a note: "From the above graphic description of the struggle it would appear that Hanlan had Ross beaten from the very start. This is certainly more than we expected. We anticipated a tight race, with Hanlan as the winner. We have always maintained that Hanlan is the representative sculler of America. The only man that is at all likely to lower his colors is Charles Courtney of Union Springs."

The same paper, in speaking of the fast time made by Courtney, says—"The three miles are said to have been rowed in 20m. 14½s. We must decline to take any notice of this time, not that we think Courtney incapable of rowing so fast, but because we think the affair a hippodrome."

A Toronto correspondent of a rural journal speaks as follows:—"Hanlan and his friends have decided not to make any more matches this year. Early in the spring he may leave for England. His total receipts for the late race did not exceed \$1,000, notwithstanding all the nonsense talked about handsome donours having been presented him. It is said that the largest winner was Mr. Reeves, of Toronto, and he only netted \$1,500."

The St. Johns, N. B., papers of the 16th appear to have been attacked with a sudden moral fit, and contained articles condemning boat racing, and advising people to give up the sport on account of its gambling and demoralizing tendencies. All unite, however, in saying the race was perfectly fair and honest.

its pretty well.

Mr. Angus McKay, the well-known horseman, has lately bought a three-year-old gelding by Eden Goldust, dam Vave's Warrior. He is a magnificent colt, standing fully 16 hands high, dark bay with two white hind feet. I have no doubt judging by former purchases that "Black Mac" has struck oil in his choice of this beautiful animal.

Joseph Hawkins, V. S., had the misfortune to lose a valuable livery mare on Sunday. She dropped down dead on the road. Cause congestion of the lungs.

You will be sorry to hear that Mr. James Grant, since his confinement in the London Asylum, is much worse, owing, I suppose, to the restraint placed upon his movements.

Emerson's California Minstrels appear in our Town Hall next Thursday evening. The Press in the United States speak well of this troop wherever they have performed.

The subject most talked about in sporting circles is the excellence of the cuts of Hanlan and Ross in the SPORTING TIMES. Everybody thinks they are splendid and only wish that illustrations of the kind might become more general in your paper. Portraits of notable athletes or horses would tend greatly to increase the already great popularity of the noblest and raciest little paper in Canada.—TOR WEIGHT.

## RAPID TRANSIT.

The Great Western Railway Company have lately put on a new train for Buffalo direct. By this route one hour in time and twenty-four miles of travel are saved to Hamilton, and one hour and a half and thirty miles to Buffalo. Mr. T. W. Jones, 23 York St., opposite Union Station, is the agent for the road. This enterprising and affable gentleman is also the sole agent in this city for the White Star line of steamers; and any person contemplating a trip to the old country should give Mr. Jones a call, who will take pleasure in giving the fullest explanations. A saving of time, money and trouble is secured by buying tickets at this office, and any of our readers patronizing Mr. J. can depend upon receiving the very best rates that can be offered. It is to his practice of fair dealing and straightforwardness with his customers that he can attribute much of his success.

## Amusements.

### CITY.

The gifted young actress, Miss Louise Pomeroy, commenced a week's engagement at the Grand Opera House on Monday last, in Romeo and Juliet, and during the week has presented As You Like It, The Lady of Lyons, &c. She has maintained the favor she earned last season for the winning impersonation of her different characters. The frequent change of bill has told on the stock company, and the support with a few exceptions has not been up to the mark. The pieces have been elegantly mounted and beautifully dressed. To-night Miss Pomeroy takes her benefit, when we expect to see the house filled as a recognition of her talent

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