# IN TRAINING AT NASHVILLE.

## Well-Known Horses in the South That Will be Seen This Way Next Summer.

## HARLAN, STOVER AND GEO. HENDRIE

**The John Carter Memorial Fund Amounts to $2300—Monument Contract Let.**

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 26.—The end of another year finds the thoroughbred interest here and hereabouts in prosperous condition. Breeders and owners look hopefully to the future. The young stock on the various farms are in thrifty condition, and the stallions and brood mares are enjoying vigorous health.

Nearly 100 youngsters, soon to be reckoned as yearlings, are eating oats and hay at Belle Meade, and anywhere from a dozen to a full score are doing the same at Avondale, Fairview, Walnut Grove and other studs in this vicinity.

The horses in training, of which there are about 200 at Cumberland Park, are in good condition, and every barn is able to show a clean bill of health.

William Weir arrived at Cumberland Park yesterday from Lexington with a string of 15 horses. The stable includes F. F. V., at one time a horse of very fair class, especially in his 2-year-old form, when he beat Ornament and other high-class colts. He is doing some cantering under saddle and will receive a careful preparation for a campaign in 1900.

Frank Brunes and John Wallace will together ship six horses to New Orleans in January to race at the winter meeting. The lot will include Clarence B., by Clarendon, and Alvin W., by Imp. Albert.

The Falsetto colt, Pharaoh, in George Hendrie's string, shows marked improvement and promises to be a useful horse in 1900. He won some good races last year, and is known to have a great turn of speed.

The strongest stable here in point of number is that of Harry Stover. He has 27 head in all, a majority of them coming 2-year-olds. A certain horse in this stable has formed an attachment for a bulldog belonging to Stover, and refuses to eat unless the dog is present. Another insists on having a Billy goat in the stall when he takes his feed. Curiously enough, every stable here keeps one or two goats, and for no other purpose than to cater to the fancies of certain horses that have developed strong friendships for these animals.

S. P. Harlan, who is wintering his stable here, will ship his entire string of 10 to Memphis the last of January. The string is composed largely of youngsters, and they have been entered liberally in the Memphis stakes. There is a Loyalist filly in the lot that is very shifty, having worked quarters here during the fall in sensational time.

Ed Moore has turned out eight of his yearlings, to be taken up again about the last of January. These youngsters, all by Longfish, winner of the St. Louis Derby, were broken and tried out during the fall, and readily answered all questions asked them.

Maddalo, one of the few horses got by Prince Ponso prior to his death, has been placed in the send.

Secretary Russwurm has completed the task of framing the schedule for the Cumberland Park spring meeting, and the events to be offered will be made public as soon as the Executive Committee passes upon them. The program will include $300, $500 and $500 purses. The members of the Country Club have subscribed $700 for a stake to be named in honor of the club. It is thought that the Turf Congress Stakes will be made for 3-year-olds, and that it will be run on May 3.

The John Carter Monument Fund, as reported by John Morrow, treasurer, amounts to $2700. The contract for the monument, the cost of which is to be $900, has been let to Peter Swan. The shaft will be 35 feet high and will be made of Barre granite. The superscription will include the date of Mr. Carter's birth and death, and under all will appear a scales perfectly balanced, symbolic of Carter's fairness as a racing judge. Eastern and Western turfmen have subscribed liberally to the fund, but the committee has been not a little amazed at the fact that not a single subscription has been received from St. Louis.

Jockey Johnny Gardner has a small stable of his own here, including Alpaca, by Tremont, and Left Bower, by Inspector B. Both were winners last year.

Oak Maid, by Imp. Lord Hartington, in the Hendrie Stable, is wintering well and promises to race next season. She was quite a good winner last season.

**Heads Apart in the Handicap.**

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—Knight Banneret was the only winning favorite. The deceptive angle of the track made it appear to many that St. Wood had won the handicap, as he would have done in another stride, the three horses being heads apart as they passed the wire. Summary:

First race, selling, 1 mile—Blue Lick, 105 (Mitchell), 4 to 1 and even, won by a length; Manlius, 105 (J. Miller), 20 to 1 and 8 to 1, 2; Jimp, 115 (Vandusen), 5 to 1, 3. Time 2.48. Col. Eades, Nailer, False Lead and Acushla also ran.

Second race, 6½ furlongs—Knight Banneret, 101 (Newcombe), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, won by a neck; Sadie Burnham, 107 (Winkfield), 20 to 1 and 8 to 1, 2; Crane, 109 (Frecon), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.27¼. Adjutor, Polly Fixby, Kindred, Clara M., Harry Lucesco, Fly Chicken and Anna H. also ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Lenhep, 100 (Mitchell), 4 to 1 and 8 to 5, won driving by a scant length; Elkin, 112 (Vandusen), 12 to 1 and 4 to 1, 2; Rushfields, 108½ (Forson), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.54⅘. Albert Vale, Donna Rita, Lexington Pirate, Astor and Good Order also ran.

Fourth race, 7 furlongs, handicap—Strangest, 104 (Wedderstrand), 8 to 1 and 8 to 5, won all out, by a head; Trillo, 124 (Mitchell), 3 to 1 and even, 2; St. Wood, 102 (Boland), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.33. Miss Mae Dew, School Girl and Tom Collins also ran.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Jim Jore II., 106 (Winfield), 3 to 1 and even, won easily by a length and a half; Wiggins, 99 (Wedderstrand), 5 to 1 and 2 to 1, 2; Bill Jackman, 102 (Boland), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.17¼. Milo, George H. Ketcham, McAlbert, Esta, Lord Fairfax, Muratand, Tukie also ran.

Entries: First race, ⅞ mile, selling—Brown Vail 94, Col. Cassidy, Little Billy 99, Manlius 102, Trebor, Island Prince 109, Dr. Walmsley 111.

Second race, 1 mile, selling—Falsehood 97, Mat Simpson, Jodee, Deponan, Rangee, Tom Gilmore 96, Indian 107, Avalaregie 103, Russell R., Sir Fitzhugh, The Bobby 104, Frangible 105, Phallas 106.

Third race, steeplechase handicap, short course—Vanbrunt 136, Hamlen 104, Marble 135, Three Forks 141, Fred Perkins 143, Brakeman 146. (Couple Marble and Three Forks as Falk entry.)

Fourth race, ⅞ mile, handicap—Gold Or 90, Magic Light 92, Village Pride 103, San Durango 107, Judge Wardell 108, Him Tine 109, Compensation 110, Algaretta 114.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 50 yards, selling—Waterhouse, Harry Preston 93, Phildins 95, Prince of Orange 97, Cultrassler 101, Nanpie Davis, Everest, Miss Dooley 102, Gallico 105, Yubadam 107, Traveler 110, Elkin 111.

**King Carnival Third.**

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 26.—The stewards of the California Jockey Club have suspended Jockey Joe Weber indefinitely for his rides on King Carnival Nov. 21, and on Loving Cup, Dec. 20. The stable of George W. Miller, the St. Louis horseman, who owns Loving Cup, was reinstated, as it was shown he bet on the mare when she made such a poor showing.

To-day the weather was clear and the track fast at Oakland.

First race, Futurity course, selling—True Blue, 119 (Ruiz), 8 to 5, 1; Braw Lass, 119 (Spencer), 3½ to 1, 2; Meadow Lark, 114 (Ross), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.11. Mainstay, Cipriano, Duke of York II., Greyhurst, Jael Be Happy, Charles Lebel and Lucid also ran.

Second race, ⅞ mile, selling—Tutille, 113 (Burns), 3½ to 1, 1; Gusti, 108 (Thorpe), 2 to 1, 2; Devereaux, 108 (Vittitoe), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.01. Miss Madeline, Antoinetta, Aborigine, Spike, Jennie Reilly, Jolly Briton and Gussie Fay also ran.

Third race, 1 mile, purse—Ventoro, 110 (Spencer), 7 to 5, 1; Storm King, 107 (Jenkins), 2½ to 1, 2; Hindoo Princess, 95 (J. Martin), 7 to 1, 3. Time 1.40¾. Gauntlet, Constellator, Kickum Bob also ran.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Favorshan, 90 (Walsh), 3½ to 1, 1; Einstein, 101 (Bassinger), 7 to 1, 2; Morinel, 107 (Burns), 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.46¾. Senator, Dubois, Codx and Nil-Gar also ran. Opponent ran second, but was disqualified for fouling.

Fifth race, ⅞ mile, free handicap—Plan, 103 (Walsh), 3½ to 1, 1; Dr. Sheppard, 110 (Thorpe), 2 to 1, 2; King Carnival, 107 (Martin), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.27. Satsuma, Hiero, and Katie Gibbons also ran.

Sixth race, 11-16 mile, selling—Ben Lodi, 109 (Ross), 2 to 1, 1; Silver Tone, 105 (Jenkins), 4 to 1, 2; Pat Morrissey, 104 (T. Burns), 3½ to 1, 3. Time 1.06¾. Mike Rice, Bessie Lee, Amasa, Sallie Goodwin, Whitcomb, Etta H. and Giro also ran.

## WITH BESOM AND STANE.

**A Quartet of Toronto Club Curlers Have Their Inaugural Curl on Victoria Ice.**

Up at the Victoria rink they have the large rink flooded and the first curling of the season took place there last night between rinks skipped by Messrs. Drummond and McMillan and Ryerson and J. S. Russell. Besides, a number of other curlers were out at practice, but no scores were kept.

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| E. T. Beatty, | L. McMurray, |
| C. Ramsden, | W. Davison, |
| H. Muntz, | W. W. Belding, |
| H. Drummond, sk.19 | J. S. Russell, sk. 17 |
| J. S. McMurray, | W. Alexander, |
| T. McMurrick, | C. Kaurtwright, |
| D. Coulson, | A. Cartwright, |
| H. T. McMillan, sk.12 | C. E. Ryerson, sk. 11 |

The Parkdale rink was flooded last night and will be ready for curling to-day for the first time.

**Curling in Chicago.**

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Chicago curlers, who have been fretting at the absence of suitable weather for their favorite sport, were somewhat mollified by the advent of the cold wave which yesterday set the ordinary citizen shivering. The wave was cold enough to put the ice at 39th-street and Wentworth-avenue in good condition, and today the knights of the broom will take their first opportunity to indulge in a little practice. The eighth annual bonspiel of the Northwestern Curling Association, which is to be held in January in Milwaukee, is far distant, and the local players will need all the practice they can get in order to catch up with the experts from the more northerly sections, who have already had many opportunities for play.

A number of Granite and Queen City curlers were out at practice last night, at the Granite Rink.

**After the Puck.**

The Wellingtons will hold their first practice to-night at the Caledonian rink.

A meeting of the Toronto Lacrosse-Hockey League will be held at Clancey's on Thursday night to draw up the schedule.

Leroy Scott, of Brooklyn, is out with a challenge to meet any amateur skater in a series of mile races or a single mile race. Young See is only 17 years old.

The Excelsior hockey teams will hold a meeting on Friday night at the Grand Central Hotel at 8 o'clock. All members and those wishing to join are requested to attend, as the hockey tickets will be given out.

R. Pope of the St. Nicholas Rink, New York, has been in Ottawa for a couple of days to make arrangements with the Ottawas for a game in New York in February. The Ottawas will go. Ottawa will play Queen's College in Ottawa on Jan. 2.

Hockey has been substituted for ice polo by the Boston Interscholastic Ice Hockey Association, at its annual meeting. The change was made by a unanimous vote, after several seasons' efforts in favor of the Canadian game by the New England Skating Association.

Little Sars Kennedy, the diminutive forward of the fast Crescent hockey team of Brooklyn, is in town for a few days. Sars learned to chase the puck from his old "war horse," Prof. Boys of Barrie, and was on last year's champion Brooklyn team. The little fellow has every confidence of their team winning the championship this year.

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# PHILADELPHIA'S 6-DAY RACE

## Messrs. Powers, Brady and Kennedy May Repeat Their New York Contest.

## WHAT ARCHIE M'EACHERN SAYS.

**He Carried the Canadian Colors at Madison-Square and Was Always Well Received.**

In a letter to the sporting editor of The World, Archie McEachern, the well-known Toronto cyclist-boxer, tells some interesting facts about the recent indoor race at New York. He says:

I have been resting up ever since the 6-day race. Maya and I had a little hard luck, which, I think, cost us the race. We were in good condition, and I think I finished fresher than anyone. It was a good race, and the hardest fought from start to finish I ever took part in.

The management was good considering all the work they had to do. The scoring was probably the hardest part, and I think some of the teams that were in the rear got overlooked, and got the worst of it; but the leading teams didn't suffer any.

Maya and I were well used by the management and spectators. We were great favorites all through, and mostly everybody wanted to see us win. I might say here that the American people are good sports. Although I never went on the track without the Canadian flag, I was a favorite, and always got a reception on leaving and coming on the track more than their own boys received. People that we never saw before sent us wine, brandy, oranges, apples, chicken and everything we could use.

We lost five laps by punctured tires and broken wheels. Miller and Waller lost one. They won by two laps, so you can see what chance we had of winning. I lost a pound. I weighed 152½ before I started, and 151½ pounds after, so you see I held my own all right.

Messrs. Powers, Brady and Kennedy are thinking of running another 6-day race in Philadelphia. If they do I may ride; if not, I may take a trip home for a month or so.

How is boxing over there? Bobby Thompson would like to box there if the club could put him on. I don't know what I will do. I think a rest will do me lots of good, as I have worked hard all summer.

**Foot Runner in Too Fast Company.**

A great coup was attempted in the Harper road race. It is said that the young man who ran under the name of E. Jones is a famous American amateur runner. He was brought here two weeks ago and prepared for the race. He was entered in the name of Jones, and, being unknown, was backed at 20 to 1 in the betting. The sports in the scheme did not bet their money until Saturday, when they backed him down to 3 to 1. Like many other good things it did not go through. The American runner found that the company of the Canadians was too fast for him, and the best he could do was to finish fifth. The people who brought the runner here lost money and will likely try to run straight in future.—Hamilton Spectator.

**Pillsbury's Wonderful Play.**

Cincinnati, Dec. 26.—Pillsbury and Showalter, who were to play the last of the series of chess games, begun by them in Louisville, arrived here too late to play and postponed the game without fixing date or place.

Pillsbury played 15 chess and 10 checker games simultaneously with the best talent Cincinnati and the Kentucky cities could muster and won all of them. Later he played blindfolded simultaneously ten chess and five checker games and won all.

**Around the Athenaeum.**

The following Athenaeum Club players have won their games in the vice-president's handicap billiard tournaments: English—W. G. Vanduecker, F. Davies, F. W. Doll, A. H. Edwards, F. Tweed, T. J. Balmer v. C. W. B. Lyall, not yet played. In the three-ball game, the winners are: F. Tweed, S. B. Burgess, B. Saunders, C. S. White. To play, G. A. Kirkpatrick v. E. Smith. Entries for the secretary's billiard tournament, first and second class English, first and second class three-ball, close to-night.

Competitors in the Beatty bowling tourney are requested to take notice that all games must be finished Thursday night.

The shooting gallery is being well patronized these days. Competitors are getting in shape for the secretary's prize, entries for which close to-night. Dr. Watson beat Mr. Braithwaite in the first game for the Athenaeum chess Body Guard after a very interesting game.

To anyone visiting the Beefsteak Club, it must appear that the new Board of Directors are hustlers. Great improvements have been made for the comfort of members, and the club is very tastefully decorated for the festive season.

**Sporting Miscellany.**

In an inter-city series of bouts at Boston Saturday night the Philadelphia boxers outpointed the Boston representatives.

Terry McGovern is to be given a banquet at the Argyle Cafe, Brooklyn, this evening. He will also be presented with The Police Gazette belt, emblematic of the bantamweight championship of the world.

Andy Ward of Sarnia sends word that he is anxious to clinch the match with Fred Baker at 133 lbs., and, to get a start in Buffalo, would be willing to sign articles for a preliminary bout.

Bob Long, the colored middleweight of Iowa, who knocked out Charley Kroeter of Chicago Friday night in the second round, is in Davenport, Iowa, training for his fight before the Tri-City Athletic Club Friday night with Ed Denfasse, the Philadelphia boxer.

At Munson's last night Messrs. Wylie and McLaren (Windsor), played three games of checkers, each winning one, the other being a draw. Mr. McLaren will play Messrs. Irving and Burrett to-day, the former in the afternoon and the latter in the evening.

The following excellent card has been arranged by the London Athletic Club for its next show on Jan. 4: Jimmy Smith of Toronto and Sandow Snyder of Detroit, 20 rounds; Taylor and Barber, both of London, 6 rounds; St. Pierre and C. Carroll, 10 rounds.

Joe Young of Buffalo knocked out Charles Fireback, known as Young Fitzsimmons, Monday night at Hornellsville after a very short contest. The bill called for a 10-round battle, but the fighting was of the liveliest sort from the beginning of the first round.

The date of the battle between Jack O'Brien and Frank Erne, for the light-weight championship, has been shifted from Jan. 19 to Jan. 26. The change was made at the request of O'Brien, whose little finger on the left hand is swollen to such an extent that he is unable to use it without pain.

Boland, who leads the jockeys at New Orleans in having ridden the most winners, is likely to leave there after the first of January. John McCafferty has the call on his services until then, when it is likely that he will be ordered to report to Charlie Hughes at Louisville, who trains the horses of C. H. Smith, the boy's employer.

President Quin of the proposed American Baseball Association interviewed Captain Anson at Chicago on Christmas Day. Anson says he has the backing of John Wanamaker to start a company for the manufacture of baseballs. He also asserts a large department store in Chicago is ready to back him, owing to the difficulty in securing the Spalding goods.

Peter Felix, the heavyweight champion of Australia, will visit this country in the near future to fight Jim Jeffries. Billy McClain, Felix's manager, in a recent letter to a local sport, writes: "Felix is colored and a native of Santa Cruz, West Indies. He is 31 years old and a heavy puncher. Felix will arrive in San Francisco in company with myself about February and then he will be prepared to fight any of the American cracks, including Jeffries, Sharkey, Ruhlin, Fitzsimmons or Corbett."

Peter Maher, who is matched to meet Kid McCoy at Coney Island next Monday afternoon, took a trip to Philadelphia to spend the holidays with his family. Before he left he said: "I will force my fight with McCoy from the start. The Kid thinks he can dance away and punch me at will. Well, I will fool him. I think the battle will be a short one and that I will win inside of 15 rounds." Maher says he weighs about 190 pounds stripped. The betting is still at even money.

Mr. Peard, who represented Jake Gaudaur, the world's champion oarsman, in his race with Johnston at Vancouver last year, has received a letter from James Stanbury, the Australian oarsman, from whom Gaudaur wrested the championship in 1896, over the Thames course, in England. Stanbury states that he would like to meet Gaudaur next year on Burrard Inlet, Vancouver, in a race for the championship of the world and a stake of $2500 a side, provided he be allowed $500 expenses.

Manager Buckenberger of the Rochester Baseball Club has arranged dates for the club for practice games before the opening of the Eastern League season. The team will report at St. Louis for the opening practice game with the Browns on March 31. On April 1, which falls on Sunday, and on the 2nd and 3rd, the Rochesters will play the Browns. From St. Louis they go to Louisville, where they will play on the 4th and 5th. The team will play the Indianapolis team, which last season won the Western League pennant, on the 6th and 7th. On the 8th, 9th and 10th of April the team will play at Cincinnati.

## IN FEAR OF HYPNOTISM.

**A Young Man Warns a Marriage License Clerk Not to Let Him Be Married.**

St. Louis Republic: Lowell Putnam is in a predicament. He is afraid he is going to be married. He doesn't want to be married, yet he is fearful that he will awaken some morning and find a wife among his possessions. He believes that a certain young woman has set her cap for him, and will carry her desire into effect by hypnotizing him.

Putnam called at the marriage license office yesterday and explained matters partially. He did not go into many details, but he wanted it thoroughly understood that if he called at the court house and asked for a license to wed it was to be refused. He said he did not want a license, and if he came for one it would be evidence that he was under the hypnotic influence of the young woman who accompanied him.

These rather peculiar remarks led a member of The Republic staff to ask Mr. Putnam last night for an explanation. Mr. Putnam was at his home, 1121 North Leonard-avenue, and he received the reporter in a room whose walls were literally covered with guns, mandolins and violins. They were hung in racks which extended from the ceiling to the floor, and scattered about on tables and chairs were other instruments. Piles of music lay upon the mantle shelf and filled the bookcase. Mr. Putnam explained the array with the remark that he played a little sometimes. In the directory he is accredited with being a professional musician. He became ill at ease when the subject of his visit to the marriage license office was broached, and said that hypnotism had caused him a great deal of trouble and notoriety which, he said, he was anxious to avoid in the future. After a time, however, he consented to say a little about the case.

"Some time ago I met a young woman who has since manifested an unusual interest in me. I did not mind this at first, because she is refined and pretty. But a week or two ago I discovered she was in love with me and wished to marry me. Perhaps she did not say so in so many words, but I interpreted what she did say and her actions correctly, I know.

"Then I realized for the first time the power she had over me. I followed her merest suggestion without being able to tell why—except that it was hypnotism. Sometimes these suggestions were spoken, sometimes not. At any rate, I obeyed them."

It was remarked that perhaps Mr. Putnam, because of his previous experience with hypnotists, was an unusually good subject, and the young woman was simply experimenting upon him. Mr. Putnam shook his head.

"No; she has an object. I am not going to tell you how I found out it was her intention to marry me, but it was in a way that leaves no doubt in my mind as to her intentions. She has resolved upon it, and my trip to the license office to-day was simply for my own protection. I have no objections to the young woman personally, but I do not intend to marry her if I can help it.

"I know from what I have done at her suggestion that it would be an easy matter for her to come here some morning, place me in her power and compel me to obtain a license and marry her. While in a hypnotic state my actions do not betray the fact to anyone, and, therefore, no preacher would refuse to marry us. I know what is going on, but am powerless to break away from the influence which this young lady exerts over me.

"I explained matters at the marriage license office fully, and told the man I saw there not to give me a license under any condition whatever. I told him that if I did apply I might plead ever so hard for the license and offer him any reward if he would issue it, but he must not listen to me, as I would be in a hypnotic state if I applied for the paper.

"Of course, if the girl learns of this—for I do not think she yet understands the complete control she has over me—she will probably try and get me under her control and take me to some other city for the purpose of marrying me. For that reason I have taken other precautions of which I do not care to speak."

Mr. Putnam refused to give the name of the pretty young woman who is trying to hypnotize him, and his brother Joseph, who is employed in a Washington-avenue wholesale house, said he could not imagine who she might be. In fact, he was surprised to hear of the affair, he said. He claimed to know of no one whose actions might lead his brother to believe she was trying to marry him.

Mr. Putnam is about 30 years old. He received considerable advertising a few years ago when a hypnotist and spiritualist left town rather suddenly after interesting a number of young persons in his work. The occasion of his departure was a tragedy in which the son of one of the best known families in town figured.

**MARKHAM COUNCIL.**

**Dr. R. C. Tefft is Reeve by Unanimous Choice—The Council.**

Markham, Ont., Dec. 26.—At a public meeting held in the Town Hall Saturday night the following gentlemen were elected for the Markham Council and school trustees by acclamation: Reeve, Dr. R. C. Tefft; councillors, Messrs. James Bishop, T. B. Willis, P. N. Reesor, Dr. Robinson; Public School trustees for two years, E. H. Wilson, Jos. White, George Robinson; for one year, F. P. Crosby.

**Union Men**

Should bear in mind that the famous "Collegian" Cigars, which are retailed at 5 cents straight by J. A. Thompson, Tobacconist, 73 Yonge-street, are made exclusively by skilled union hand workmen. 3

**Nominated Officers.**

The members of the Astronomical and Physical Society nominated officers last night preparatory to the annual meeting, which takes place next month. An interesting report was presented dealing with the eclipse of the moon on Dec. 16 last, after which an observation was made of the Bemon star.

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# JUST LET THEM COME ON

## Fenians in the United States Appear to Think Canada is Now Vulnerable

## AND THEY PROPOSE ANOTHER RAID.

**Many Canadians Would Like to Have the Blackguards Try a Raid Just Now.**

Ottawa, Dec. 26.—The story of a Fenian invasion of Canada from the United States is ridiculed in official quarters, and the public laughs at it as well. Dr. Borden had nothing to say on the subject.

Lieut.-Col. Pinault, Deputy-Minister of Militia, who was out as a private during the last Fenian raid, said to your correspondent to-night that there was no fear of any invasion. His opinion was that the story was largely due to some newspaper talk, and very little more would be heard about it. He refused to believe that there was really anything at the bottom of it.

**Omaha Fenians Are Blowing.**

New York, Dec. 26.—The same "yellow" which contained the Worcester, Mass., despatch regarding a proposed raid on Canada, prints another similar story from Omaha, Neb. It says: "The leading Irish-Americans of Nebraska are moving in the direction of a raid on Canada, on the ground that the province is being denuded of her troops for service in South Africa. The statement is made that an extensive correspondence is being carried on between Fenians in the leading cities of the United States, and that the Omaha meeting called for next Sunday is a part of a preconcerted, widespread movement, whose object is to enlist Irish-Americans everywhere in a grand effort to aid the Boers by causing trouble in Canada. The arms that were used or intended for one of the Fenian invasions of Canada were bought in Nebraska. There is a story in Lincoln that for many years a lot of these arms was stored somewhere in that city under the care of the late John Fitzgerald, who is said to have contributed the money to buy them. It is also known that these arms, or others for the same cause, were used as equipments for one of two companies of Irish militia in Omaha, of which many prominent men of the city were once members."

## THEY'RE NOT WORTH NOTICING.

**How the State Officials Treat the Scheme of the Irish Haters of Britain.**

Washington, Dec. 26.—At the State Department and the British Embassy not the slightest attention is being paid to the many stories of Fenian activity that are appearing in the newspapers in all parts of the United States. Officials of the State Department, when asked regarding the stories published, shrug their shoulders and say they are not worth noticing.

## FENIANS PLAN OF ATTACK.

**As Given by the Washington Correspondent of The Chicago Record on Christmas Day.**

Washington, D.C., Dec. 26.—(Chicago Record Special.)—Officials here are deeply interested in the report that Holland and Irish societies are planning a raid on Canada broadly similar to that attempted by the Fenians in 1865-6. The administration will make diligent efforts to maintain the neutral position which international law demands under the circumstances. While citizens and foreigners living within our borders have the right to sell all sorts of supplies to either the Boers or the British, assuming the risk of confiscation upon the high seas, when the cargoes are contraband of war, it is incumbent upon the Government to exercise its authority to the utmost to prevent the organization in the United States of armies or societies for the invade the territory of either of the nations at war.

**Promoters Keep Under Cover.**

With the knowledge that the administration would be required to assist Great Britain to the extent of preventing an invasion of Canada from the United States, the promoters of the scheme, if it is really contemplated, are keeping under cover. Their arrest would immediately follow detection. The secret service agents of the Treasury Department are at work endeavoring to ascertain what foundation there is for the rumors that Boer sympathizers are organizing four armies to cross the Canadian boundary at different points, and the full machinery at the disposal of the President will be set in motion if necessary to frustrate any such plan.

**One Army in the Northwest.**

The reports which have reached Washington of the proposed invasion state that one army is being recruited in Chicago, Minnesota and the Dakotas, and that it will be of the first importance in size and duties. Its line of march is given as through the valley of the Red River of the North to Winnipeg. The people of Manitoba are expected to welcome the invaders. The second army is to be formed in Ohio or Michigan, cross the Detroit or the St. Lawrence River, meet sympathizers on the Canadian side and then invade the Province of Ontario. The third body is to be thrown across from Northern New York, and the fourth from Maine. The plans as reported do not contemplate an attack upon strongly fortified places, but propose to raise the standard of rebellion in the country districts.

**Cuban Fillbusters Approached.**

The sympathizers alleged to be behind the movement have, it is stated, approached men who were successful in Cuban fillbustering expeditions, with the purpose of enlisting their services, as with their experience the promoters hope to outwit our Government and escape punishment under the neutrality laws. Washington friends of the Boers practically admit that an invasion of Canada may be attempted in the east, but are careful not to commit themselves to the extent of confessing a violation of the laws. The Canadian authorities have been notified of the rumors, and will be kept informed by our Government of developments.

**Would Stop Reinforcements.**

One explanation offered for the report that an invasion of Canada is contemplated is that the Boer sympathizers have started it with the hope of creating a diversion which will result in the British Government refraining from drawing fresh troops from Canada for service in Africa. It is stated in this connection that sympathizers realizing the importance of preventing reinforcements reaching the British have decided to announce the proposed invasion to keep the Canadians at home, and thus deprive Great Britain of recruits from that colony. Should this be the purpose of the sympathizers they may be expected to carry the scheme to the announcement of intended invasion of other British colonies.

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# NIAGARA FALLS MYSTERY

## Chief Mains and Detective Young Investigated the Disappearance of the Two Strangers.

## IT WAS NOT A MURDEROUS SCHEME,

**And Now the Principal Point is to Collect the Livery Man's Hire and Catch the Men.**

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 26.—Chief Young and Detective Mains have fully investigated the mysterious disappearance of the two strangers at the Whirlpool Rapids Park, and carefully followed up their movements before their arrival at the Whirlpool Rapids Park. They had been around the vicinity of the Falls all afternoon, and had the appearance of two young men looking for employment. One of them claimed to be a moulder, while the other was a pattern cutter, and their actions during the afternoon indicated they were comrades in search of work.

**Had Tintypes Taken.**

The two men wandered into Edward Davis' Bazaar and photographed, and while there had their tintypes taken together, and, at the solicitation of young Davis, took in the drive to the Whirlpool Rapids, where they made the descent, and were last seen. The two efficient officers, with guides, made another detour of the locality below the pronounce of the Whirlpool Park, where the footmarks of two men simmered down to one man's footmarks, and here was found the sequel to the second man's mysterious disappearance. It was found that he had left his comrade, who had kept close to the water's edge, while he climbed a log and ascended the slope and kept close to the brink of the precipice at the top of the Shale Rock stop, until he reached a point near the Whirlpool, where the two met. One kept to the water's edge until the Niagara Glen was reached, while the second man kept to the left and came to the top of the bank through the ravine near the Whirlpool.

**Not a Semblance of Disturbance.**

Chief Young claims between the man's footmarks along the river shore to the water pictures not the semblance of anything being disturbed, and it would be impossible for one man to push another into the river without showing some traces of the falling man, and he has, after his full investigation, concluded there has been no murder, and claims as his opinion that the two men, who had not paid Davis for the pictures or the drive, came to the conclusion that the easiest way to beat both the Incline Railway out of the admission to the park and Davis' outfit was to take the Gorge route out of town, which, no doubt, they sincerely regretted before they finished their tramp.

## BOERS MASSACRE MISSIONARIES.

**Transvaalers Will Not Suffer Black Men to Disseminate Christianity Among Their Own People.**

All who know anything of Boer methods with missions must feel that the good and generous people who desire to uphold the Orange Free State in its independence, should know to what manner of people it is proposed to hand over the destinies of the natives.

You have heard the testimony of two English missionaries and a German; now, for that of a Frenchman. One of the Protestant Basuto missionaries thus relates an episode of the long conflict between the Basutos and the Boers of the Orange Free State in the early sixties, before the British annexation of Basutoland:

"On our station we had been six months without news in consequence of the war. At last I determined to push to the next station to see if there were any letters from Europe. No sooner had I arrived there than I fell dangerously ill. With great difficulty, traveling by night, hiding by day, my personal servant managed to convey a letter from my wife to my wife, telling her I was believed to be dying. It was dark when she received my letter, and she instantly ordered the servants to bring her horse.

"'You cannot, you must not( go to him,' they all cried. 'The Boers are shooting every black at sight, and the Basutos are shooting every white person at sight; we dare not go with you, and you cannot go alone.'

"My wife replied: 'I am going to my husband, alone, if need be. I will not ask you to risk your lives,' and without waiting even to change her dress she saddled the horse with her own hands and started. An hour or two later she was rejoined by three of the native servants (Christians), who declared they would escort her.

"After six nights' hard riding she reached the station where I lay sick, and nursed me back to life. About a fortnight later, the Christian Basutos, of whom even then there were many, assembled at the station from every part of the country for their quarterly communion, accompanied by their wives and children.

"Owing to the war they, like us, had to travel by night and hide in the day; thus the communion was celebrated at midnight on Sunday night. In spite of these precautions the Boers got wind of it. Next morning, about 6 o'clock, our servant appeared at the door of my hut, ashen grey. 'The Boers! the Boers!' he cried. 'We are all dead men.'

"The station referred to here lies in the hollow of a crescent-shaped kopje; precipitous in the centre, the horns sloping gently to the level of the plain. The sky-line was black with Boers, who were pouring down the horns of the crescent and filling the village. I struggled on through a perfect storm of bullets—providentially not one wounded me. The ground was covered with men, women and children, dead or dying. The Boers were firing in through the doors of the huts.

"I found my way to the commandant, a personal friend of mine, and besought him to stop the firing.

"The commandant replied that he could not take cognizance of that circumstance; the Basutos must be exterminated, and they must do it when and where they could. Seeing my entreaties were unavailing, I determined to save the lives of my own people, if possible. I said: 'If you care nothing for these poor Christians, you care a little for me. You see how ill I am. I cannot reach my own station without the help of my servants. Give me a safe conduct for these three men.' He answered, 'You ask a great thing of me. I do not think I can grant it.' I still urged my plea.

"The commandant was touched at last, seeing I was almost fainting; he asked their names, and wrote out a pass for them, saying, however, 'If they are seen by any of my people they will probably be shot at sight without being asked whether they have a safe conduct or not. So they must go at their own risk.' We went off with them as soon as possible. In my weak state it took us 10 days to reach home, and, oh, the sights we saw on the way!—the villages reduced to ashes; the hills echoing with the howls of the Kaffir dogs; the nights filled with laughter of hyenas and jackals, which told us when we passed the scenes of past slaughter."

Personally, this missionary was always well treated by the Boers. Not so his colleagues, M. Fredoux of Motito, and then MM. Creux and Berthond of the Mission Romande, at a later date, were forcibly taken from their stations and kept in captivity for months—not actually imprisoned after the first, but confined to a village (Marabastadt) under surveillance.

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# ROUSE'S POINT RAILWAY WAR.

**A Temporary Cessation With the Rutland Road at Present in the Ascendant.**

Plattsburg, N.Y., Dec. 26.—There is temporary cessation of hostilities in the railroad war at Rouse's Point between the Central Vermont and Rutland Roads. The Rutland Road has been victorious so far and the employes of the road are rapidly completing the spur of the new draw-bridge which will connect their half of the old bridge with their tracks on the Alburgh, Vermont, shore. The Rutland Road still retains possession of the engine captured from the Central Vermont. Sheriff Cunningham of Clinton County, who has been at Rouse's Point with a force of deputy sheriffs and constables ever since the trouble began, came to Plattsburg last night, leaving two deputies to watch operations. The next move of the Central Vermont is awaited with interest. The Central Vermont tracks, which were torn up, have been relaid and traffic over the old bridge has been resumed.