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TO OUR FRIENDS.

We have on our books a large amount of money due us for subscriptions. We have been particularly indulgent to our friends and patrons, and trust they will see the necessity of promptly remitting their indebtedness in this respect. As the issue and collection of drafts is a pecuniary loss to us of some moment, it is hoped that those who are indebted for subscription will remit without entailing on us the trouble and expense of individual drafts. We make this broad appeal in the fullest confidence of a ready response.

Liverything used about a printing office is cash, and to meet the weekly drain on our exchaquer we are compelled to ask payment of outstanding obligations. Our expenses maturally increase as the winter approaches, and as most of our subscription accounts are far past due -our terms being in advancewe feel no delicacy in making the request for prompt remittance. Many of our reader are a couple of years in default, and their remittances will greatly assist us and place us under renewed obligations.

Mr. T. C. Patteson, of Eastwood, has sold the greater part of his thoroughbred horses to Mr. Palmer of Blandford.

In Statistical the William Constitution fountain head for news us the Herald. It lacks however in this case the essential element of truth to make it either valuable or rehable. That Hanlan can be backed to row Courtney any race from one mile to ten miles is altogether probable, but that the former a friends are so unsophisticated in the ways of match-making as to name such an enormous stake as the brilliant mind of the Herald man has concocted is all a mistake. he will think he has had a race of it at all events.

In reading the whole article through we must express our surprise at finding such rubbish in the columns of the first newspaper in America, and one, too, which professes a deep interest in the advancement of all classes of legitimate sport. If that journal has any desire to maint in its prestine as at authority, it will have to climate such trashy, prejudiced and untruthful effusion us some of the recent aquatic articles in its columns. A mistaken idea of kindness to Courtney may prompt such adulation, but its effect will be strongly inconsistent with its impued opiect.

PAROLE AND TEN BROECK.

In our columns to-day will be found a graphic account of the race at Baltimore, last week, between Parole, Ten Brocck, and Tom Ochiltree. There have been few turf everts in America which have created so much excitement as this great contest of the eastern and western giants. These sectional races have always provoked the greatest enthusiasm from the days of Peytona and Fashion, to the present event. The exciting contests between Longfellow and Harry Bassett are matters of recent occurrence. Ten Brocck came fresh from the Blue Grass region with his championship banner of all distances; Parole and Ochiltree were looked upon as the representative horses of the East, and the issue was clearly between the two sections. It is now a matter of history that the East was victorious with the son of Learnington and Maiden.

If the "time" test was absolute, it should have been no race for Ten Brocck to beat the Eastern stables. But keen horsemen claimed that the Kentucky representative would not be able to duplicate his western record on the eastern running tracks, and the result of the race showed they were not far astray in their calculations. And the competitive test was likewise at fault. Whisper beat Ochiltree at Saratoga, and going to Louisville is beaten with ridiculous case by Ten Broeck; Ochiltree goes to Jerome Park and conquer. Parole in two races; and now Ten Breeck, the victor over Whisper, who has beaten Ochiltree, is forced to lower his colors to Parole, whom Ochiltree has just defeated in two succes-ive races.

tree set out the pace and carried on the strug- chants' Plate, Mr. C. J. Alloway had Jack is no criterion. Upon examination some ly darted out of the crowd of onlookers, and parts of the race will be found to have been running ahead of the horses led the way fast. The first quarter of the second mile over the hurdle, with the apparent object of geldings, unless otherwise stipulated.

Wednesday of last week, some rapid sprinting was done. The New York Sportsman, in describing the meeting, says there was considerable wind, which blew directly in the faces of the pedestrians, serving to make the time slower than it otherwise would have been. In despite of this obstacle, T. W. Brown succeeded in running 100 yards in 10} sec., and 440 yards in 54 sec. This latter performance is said to be equal to the Of one thing all lovers of aquatic sport are best in America. There can be no doubt of satisfied—if Courtney can beat Hanlan the distance, as it was measured by The Sportsman's representative. Outside parties made the time even faster than that given by the official time-keeper. In too many cases where fast records are claimed, it has been found that the tracks were short, or the timing done by incompetent hands and with inferior watches for that purpose, but there seems to be no reason to doubt the accuracy of Mr. Brown's record. The English amateur records, by the authority quoted in the preceding paragraph, are as follows: 100 yards, ten and one lifth seconds, M. Shearman, Oxford, Eng., April 7, 1876; 440 yards, fifty and two-fifth seconds, by E. J. Colbeck, London, Eng., June 20, 1868, and J. Shearman, (L. A. C.), London, Eng., June 7, 1877.

While our cousins across the line have been thus busy, our boys at home have not been idle. At the games of the Toronto Lacrosse Club held on Saturday last, W. O. Ross, threw the lacrosse ball 122 yards, 6 in., said to be the best throw on record for this style. After winning a 100 yard dash, Telfor Arthurs ran a quarter of a mile in 55 sec., and again won the open race of 440 yds. in 54 seconds, a performance, if the distance and time were guaranteed, superior to that of Mr. Brown of Yale College, given above, as our sprinter ran a quarter in 55 sec., and repeated in 54 sec., being two separate

Most anybody would think this was enough for one week in the Dominion, but from the report of the annual athletic sports of the Montreal College, held in that city on the 28rd ult., published in the Star, we learn that H.J. Horan won the quarter-mile race in fiftythree seconds. Could this performance be properly authenticated it would take the precodence, and place our Dominion in the van in amateur pedestriausm, a place which, in all probability, is her proper position.

The last of these "big things" will be seen in our base-ball column this week, where it is stated that M. Armstrong, at an athletic gathering at Ailsa Craig, Ont., threm a baseball 124 yds. 1 ft. 5 in. This is asserted to be the longest distance ever thrown in Canada, but is beaten by Johnny Hatfield's throw at Brooklyn, N. Y., Oct, 15, 1872,-133 yds. 1 ft. 71 in.

A TURF DISPUTE.

At the steeplechase meeting over the Blue of the duty of analysing the cause of Ten rather singular case came up for the decision Brocck's defeat. It would appear that Ochil- of the stewards. In the race for the Mergle until the Kentuckian was about used up, Frost. In running home Frost had the lead, when along came Parole and snatched an but to make assurance doubly sure, his owneasy victory. The time looks slow, but that er, who was riding Maid of the Mill, suddenMR. LARRY A. STINJON, HAMILTON.

Mr. Harry A. Stinson, youngest son of the late Thomas Stinson, Esq., of Stinson's Bank, Hamilton, died at his residence, Queen street, in that city, on Sunday last, 28th ult., of congestion of the brain. The deceased was born in Hamilton, we believe, in 1848, consequently he was in his 29th year at the time of his death. Of late years he was manager of Stinson's Bank, Hamilton. and carned a brilliant reputation as a clever business man. Outside of this circle he was recognized as an enthusiastic lover of field and aquatic sports, and he devoted much of his time to his favorite amusements. He took a deep interest in yachting, and was quite successful in this class of sport. He was looked upon as a model young man, and great sympathy is expressed by all classes for his sorrowing mother and relatives in their deep affliction. To the poor he was especially a friend, and his memory will be green in the Ambitious City for years to coince

NEW IMPORTATIONS.

From the Kentucky Live Stock Record we learn that Gen. Wm. T. Withers, of Fairlawn Stock Farm, Lexington, Ky., sold to Mr. Robert Cheney, of this city, a bay yearling colt, by Almont, dam by Marion, a son of Mambrino Chief. The consideration reported is \$1,500. This is a royaly bred youngster, and Mr. Chency should be complunented on his enterprise in importing such a valuable colt. The cross of Almont and Mambrino Chief blood should be a happy one, and we hope there are many good things in store for the colt, and that Mr. C. will be amply repaid for his endeavors to improve the stock in this section of the country.

In the Maritime Provinces great efforts are being made to bring up the standard of equine stock. The Turf, Field and Farm of last week reports that "Mr. Murray has sold his four-year-old stallion colt All Right to Newton Lee, of Prince Edward Island. who purchased him for stock purposes; purchase price, \$3,000. All Right was sired by Taggart's Abdallah, dam by Rysdyk's Hambletonian. He is a colt of 16 hands high, and well-proportioned, with unusual promise of speed. He represents one of Mr. Murray's favorite crosses, and was greatly esteemed by him. We saw him in the early Summer and regarded him as one of the best results of the Morgan and Hambletonian cross we ever saw. The breeders of Prince Edward Island are to be congratulated in having secured such a promising and fine-blooded

NEW WEIGHTS FOR THE WEST.

At a recent meeting of committees representing the Louisville Jockey Club, Kentucky | most crucial tests before being offered to the Association of Lexington, Nashville Blood- Canadian public. Read the advertisement, Horse Association, and Louisiana Jockey and sent for a circular. The very full report of the race relieves us Bonnets Course, Montreal, last Saturday, a Club, the following scale of weights was

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It is said negotiations are pending for a match, dash of one mile and a halt, heary weights, between Archie Fisher's Kelso and Jonathan Scott's Goldfinch, to be run at Woodbine this fall. Archie, it is reported. wants to make it for \$500 a side.

The New York Herald's report said "the green steeplechase at the last Woodbine Races was won by Judge Halligau." Sure, John, you'd be a long time in the old country before they'd call you Judge.

Mr. Matt Williams, of the Horton House, Cobourg, won a couple of races with his geld. ing Jack, by Jack the Barber, at Trenton

A match has been made for \$100, between Galt Reporter and Gil de Roy, to be run at Exetor.

The promising thoroughbred filly African. Maid, 4 years by Mogador, dam Simple Maiden, imported by Mr. T. C. Patteson, of Eastwood, and sold by him to Mr. Charles Reed, of New York, died suddenly on Wed. nesday morning of last week, while exercising at Pimlico Park, Baltimore.

A Mr. Porter was among the heaviest winners in a recent California horse race, and over since then his friends invariably meet him with the remark: " Porter, how's stakes 2"

Dunton's Spirit of the Turf says that the old trotter Hotspur is still pursuing his career as a ringer, being entered in his last race under the name of Honest Dick.

A Nashville man answered a Chicago advertisement, " How to win at poker," and received for his two dollars the following: Hold four aces, or don't poke."

Mr. Collier, of Beachville, has purchased from Mr. Irwin Lewis the handsome span of bay carriage horses which took most of the prizes in that section this fall. This price **₩**as \$500.

A Newport gentleman named his racehorse " Deadhead." The result was that all the other horses " passed " him.

.Mr. George Lees left Guelph by Grand Trunk, on Tuesday of last week en route to England, with 28 horses, among which was his recent purchase, Denmark.

It will be seen by reference to our advertising columns that the finely bred blood stallion Calogram is offered for sale. The announcement gives his full pedigree, and it will be observed his lineage is truly roysl, teeming with blue blood. His large size and elegant breeding should commend him to any one in want of a first-class horse of this kind He is a half brother of Maudina and Alarm, and a full brother of Telegram.

Hall's anti-Contraction Horse Boot is a candidate for public favor. It possesses several advantages over any and all contriauses having the same object. It is no experiment, but has been submitted to the

Goldsmith Maid, has arrived at Fashion Stud Farm, and is finally withdrawn from the turf. Her owner declares her in perfect health.

Will. Taylor, Mr. John, Forbes' jock, thought to have a little fun on Tuesday last by joining in a run with the Toronto Hounds. Between him and the horse they had a good time, the borse rolling over and crushing Master Will who is laid up for repairs.