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THE O.J.C. SPRING MEETING

LARGEST ATTENDANCE AND MOST SUCCESSFUL RACES EVER HELD IN TORONTO.

Furbelow Wins the Trial Stakes—Harry Cooper the Queen's Plate—Beechmore the Steeplechase—Felix the Open Handicap—Other Winners—How the Races Were Contested—Who Were There—Splendid Weather—The Events for Saturday.

Judges—Wm. Hendrie, Dr. Smith, R. Pringle.
Starter—J. Stanton; assistant starter, A. W. Smith.
Timers—C. Brown, W. Christie.
Clerk of the Scales—T. W. Jones.
Clerk of the Course—J. H. Mead.
Secretary-Treasurer—Lyndhurst Ogden.

The Ontario Jockey Club is on its feet at last. Locust racing is firmly established in Toronto, and there is every prospect of the sport extending in the future.

The attendance at the meeting yesterday must have been in the neighborhood of seven thousand, including people from all over Ontario, Hamilton, London, St. Catharines, Cobourg and Barrie sent large delegations.

The weather was the finest possible. There were no cold winds, there was abundance of sunshine, there was every opportunity for the ladies to display their latest and newest in the way of millinery and dresses. As a consequence they took advantage of it and in the stand and on the road there was lots of bright color and fashionable attire to be seen.

Sir Alexander Campbell (the Lieutenant-Governor), Miss Campbell and others, sufficient to fill two carriages, made up Government House party.

The road to the track was excellent, a string of watering carts having laid the dust in the forenoon. The Street Car Company had a large number of cars on the route and handled thousands of passengers without difficulty. It would have been impossible to have had the crowd without the street cars.

At the park considerable improvements were noticed. The grand stand has been enlarged, and a special accommodation set apart for the members of the Ontario Jockey Club.

The president, Mr. William Hendrie, was ably assisted by Mrs. Hendrie and Miss Hendrie in doing the social honors of the day. They drove down in their four hand, specially brought down from Hamilton.

It was a great day for silk hats and light suits among the gentlemen. William Hendrie's long figure in long tailed grey coat, white hat and white spats was seen everywhere. Dr. Smith had something new in the way of waistcoats. Many of the men had stunning sporting suits. Mr. Frank Smith, of Montreal, made a stylish clerk of the course.

The dressing and colors of the jockeys were creditable, and shed a deal of color on the track.

Dutch was served to the members in the club house at 1.30. A large number assisted.

The only refreshment for the mob was a butter-milk, ginger pop and sandwiches. No lager or spirits were allowed.

Among those noticed in the stands were: George Gooderham and daughter, Judge Galt, Frederick W. Gold, Judge Osler and Miss Osler, D'Alton McCarthy, Col. and Mrs. Sweny, Jas. Morris, Judge Falconbridge, Chief Justice Hagarty and Mrs. McMahon, Andrew Darling, Mr. and Mrs. Myles, Senator Frank Smith, Mr. John Foy, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Macdonald, Mr. Lount, Mr. Justice Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Mr. Davis, M. P. (Alberta), John Leys, M. P. P., Hon. A. S. Hardy, Hugh Ryan and family, Hon. Frank George, Dumbum de Lisle, John McFarlane, Mrs. and Miss McFarlane, C. W. Hunting, H. W. Merritt, John and George Gillespie, Walter Dick, Percy Tiller, Colin Campbell, of Montreal; Col. Peters, of London; John Eastwood, Hamilton; J. Akers, Clarkson Jones, Lieutenant Helmer, Alex. Hoyd, Mr. Sheppley, Mr. F. Smith, Nicholas Smith, St. Catharines; Wallace Nesbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Totten, Mr. John Macdonald, R. H. Wilkie, Mr. D. Mills, McCausland, Peter Maclaren, E. H. and Mrs. Osler, T. G. Blackstock, Mr. Austin Smith, E. Rutherford, J. Donaldson, Geo. Kelley, Col. Otter, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Armour, Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt, Mrs. Spratt, Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. T. H. Ferguson, Mrs. Torrance, Mrs. F. Macdonald of Hamilton, Mrs. Kingsmill, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. James Carruthers, Miss Gardner, Miss Smith.

The Racing.

As to the racing it was a decided success and though the event of the day—the Queen's Plate—was a one-sided affair, the other races were well contested and on the whole it was an excellent day's sport. The races were evenly divided between the favorites and outsiders. Those who backed the "short horses" did well as long odds were quoted against Williams and Trustee, while Felix, though closing second favorite could have been had at a good price when the books opened. The fields were close and exciting in every case with the exception of the Plate, there being several head victories. Furbelow, who was not fancied for the opening event, was successful, though it was a close fit, she only managing to squeeze in by a head while a head also separated the third and fourth horses. There was much disappointment among the spectators when it was learned that Fred. Henry would not start for the Guineas, as it was expected that the son of War Cry would give Harry Cooper a good race. Fred Henry's non-appearance, therefore, left the Plate at Cooper's mercy, who was as he pleased, though the place honors were well contested. Evangeline only securing them by a head from Cast Off.

The finish for the Woodbine Steeplechase was somewhat marred by Phair being caught and beat at the post by the old veteran Williams. Many were of the opinion that Beechmore had been pulled, but it was merely Phair's mistake in allowing Williams to get so near him, which he will not let occur again. Bo Peep's defeat in the Cash Handicap was a and blow to the talent who backed her heavily, though the win of Felix was certainly a popular one, Coleman receiving quite a reception on his return to the scales. The Hunters' Flat proved an excellent contest between Chandos and Trustee, the former only winning by a head. The Meadow Queen was thought to be a good thing for the Helter-Skelter Steeplechase, but it proved true, but bad luck attended McBride, and though he won easily he was disqualified for loosing his led pad and Trustee, who finished second, was awarded the race. The details of the day's racing follow:

Furbelow's First Win.

FIRST RACE—Trial Stakes; $150, of which $25 to 2d; for all ages; maidens if 2 years old, 9 lbs.; 4 years, 10 lbs.; 5 years and upward, 14 lbs; winners of any race value $300 in 1888 or 1887, to carry 5 lbs. extra. 1 mile.

A. Sinclair's ch.f. Furbelow, 3, by The Rake—Victoria, 98 ..... (Bernard) 1
G. H. Parker's b.g. Oliver, 5, 103 ..... (Coleman) 2
Laehlan Stable's b.g. Percy, 6, 117 ..... (Guerin) 3
Laehlan Stable's b.m. Eulilla, 5, 101 ..... (McIsaac) 0
Red Bank Stable's b.m. Eulilla, 5, 101 ..... (Wise) 0
Gorman & Hale's ch.c. Harry Kernell, 4, 118 ..... (Steele) 0
Orkney Stable's b.h. King Bob, 5, 120 ..... (French) 0
F. Hendrie's ch.f. Mistbloom, 3, 96 ..... (Hill) 0
Cleveland Stable's br.g. Rutland, 5, 109 ..... (Farrell) 0
M. Farrell's br.f. Medea, 3, 86, carried 108 ..... Time—1.20.

Winner trained by C. Phair.

Betting—Even against Furbelow, 2 to 1 Mistbloom, 6 to 1 King Bob, 7 to 1 Oliver, 8 to 1 Harry Kernell, 12 to 1 Medea, 15 to 1 each Eulilda and Percy, 20 to 1 Rutland.

For a place—Nothing against Furbelow, even Mistbloom, 7 to 5 King Bob, 3 to 1 Harry Kernell, 3½ to 1 Oliver, 4 to 1 each Percy and Medea, 6 to 1 Rutland, 7 to 1 Eulilda.

The Race—After a long delay caused by Mistbloom breaking away, the flag fell with Harry Kernell in front, King Bob second and Furbelow leading the others with Percy last. As they ran down the back stretch King Bob moved up and at the half was a length in front of Kernell with Furbelow and Oliver neat, the others strung out. Rounding the upper turn King Bob increased his lead to two lengths with Furbelow and Oliver on even terms next and Harry Kernell fourth. On entering the stretch Furbelow and Oliver closed on the leader, who was stopping badly, and the pair ran nearly on even terms to the finish, the English filly securing the verdict by a head from Oliver, who was two lengths in front of Percy, who came with a rush at the finish and beat Eulilda by a head, the others finishing as above.

Harry Cooper's Guineas.

SECOND RACE—The twenty-sixth running of the Queen's Plate of $8, guineas added to a conditional sweepstake payable at time of entry (Jan. 1, 1888), and an additional $5 unless declared out, May 1, 1888; the club to give $50 to the 2d and $25 to 3d. 1¼ miles.

J. D. Matheson's b.p. Harry Cooper, 4, by Long Taw—Maurice, 118 ..... (C. O'Leary) 1
Waverley Stable's ch.f. Evangeline, 4, 115 ..... (A. Gates) 2
J. O'Rourke's br.m. Cast Off, 5, 117 ..... (Butler) 3
W. Dyment's ch.f. Blackbird, 3, 97 ..... (Coleman) 0
W. T. Bonner's b.m. Genesta, 5, 117 ..... (Bowman) 0
Col. Peters's b.h. Bonnie Boy, 5, 122 ..... (Steele) 0
A. Brickman's ch.m. Beatie, a., 117 ..... (Crowther) 0

2 Robed.
1 Left at the post. Time—1.20.

(Winner trained by A. O'Leary).

Betting: 6 to 5 on Harry Cooper, 6 to 1 against Evangeline, 12 to 1 Cast Off, 15 to 1 Genesta, 30 to 1 each Beatie and Blackbird, and 40 to 1 Bonnie Boy.

For a place: 2 to 1 against Evangeline, 4 to 1 Cast Off, 5 to 1 Genesta, 10 to 1 each Genesta and Beatie, and 15 to 1 Bonnie Boy.

The Race—Out of the nineteen entered last January but seven came to the post, and as they paraded in Indian file past the stand on the way to the starting post the favorite, Harry Cooper, was in front and certainly deserved the post of favorite. He looked in excellent form and all over a race horse while he was piloted by able Jockey Charley O'Leary, a son of the trainer, Mr. Richard O'Leary, to whom great credit is due for the colt's excellent form.

Harry Cooper was first away followed by Evangeline, Cast Off, Blackbird and Bonnie Boy in the order named, with Beasie left at the post. Blackbird at once went out and made the pace, and on passing the stand led by half a length with Evangeline second, Cooper third, Cast Off fourth, Genesta fifth and Bonnie Bay last. At the Club House turn Blackbird had increased her lead to two lengths, while Cooper under a pull was second, Evangeline third, Cast Off and Genesta bringing up the rear, Bonnie Boy bolted and was pulled up. On the back stretch the order was Blackbird, Evangeline, Cooper, Cast Off and Genesta last. There was little change until rounding the upper turn, where Harry Cooper moved up and showed the way into the stretch, with Blackbird next and Evangeline third. In the stretch the favorite drew away and won in a common gallop by three lengths, while Cast Off came strong at the finish and was only beaten a head by Evangeline for the place. It was such an easy victory for Harry Cooper that the race caused little excitement, though the owner, Mr. J. D. Matheson, was surrounded on all sides by his friends, who were highly elated over the victory.

Why Fred Henry Didn't Start.

Fred Henry was extensively backed to win the Plate if he started. But his legs were bad throughout his training and all the indications for the past two or three days pointed to his breaking down in the struggle. Mr. C. J. Smith was one of his largest backers, to the extent of $1600 or more. Those who were putting their money on Harry Cooper when they knew of Henry's condition were anxious to have him start and used all their influence to that end. But Mr. Smith posted down to the track early in the morning, bought Fred Henry for $200, on condition of his being scratched for the Plate, and so saved the $1600 that he had invested on him. This was, as far as sporting ethics go, a perfectly fair thing for him to do, but the owner of Henry been induced to allow him to start when he was out of condition his backers would have come in for heavy losses.

Williams at Long Odds.

THIRD RACE—Woodbine Steeplechase, $275, of which $50 to 2d and $25 to 3d; to carry 38 lbs. above the scale; winners once in a steeplechase or hurdle race, 5 lbs.; twice, 10 lbs.; three times or more, 12 lbs. extra; horses not having won on the flat or across country allowed 5 lbs.; thoroughbreds 5 lbs. extra; about 2½ miles.

Cleveland Stable's b.g. Williams, a., 157 ..... (Grayer) 1
Gorman & Hale's b.g. Beechmore, a., 167 ..... (Phair) 2
Red Bank Stable's br.m. Albani, 5, 142 ..... (McBride) 3
Lachlan Stable's b.g. Percy, 6, 157 ..... (McHanna) 0
Hayden Stable's br.c. Bellevue, 4, 138 ..... (Walker) 0
Fell. Time—5.51.

Betting: Even against Beechmore, 8 to 5 Albani, 15 to 1 Bellevue, 16 to 1 Percy, and 20 to 1 Williams.

No place betting.

The Race—Williams showed the way over the first fence in the cast field with Bellevue second, Beechmore third, Albani fourth and Percy last. After crossing the stone wall Beechmore moved up and showed the way over the board fence with Williams and Bellevue negotiating the obstacle on even terms and Percy last. Beechmore down going to the water with Bellevue second, Williams third, Albani fourth and Percy fifth. This order was maintained until the second time over the water, with the exception of Albani, who moved up third at the bank at the head of the stretch. Crossing the water the second time Bellevue fell, giving Walker a nasty tumble. Williams now went into second place with Albani third and Percy fourth. The positions were unchanged till near the finish, where Williams moved up on the leader, but Phair thinking that he was winning easily never let go of Beechmore's head until too late and Williams coming with a rush beat him on the post by a neck, Albani finishing third, much dissatisfaction was expressed among the spectators at Phair's riding, but the truth of the matter is that he was caught napping.

Felix Wins the Open Handicap.

FOURTH RACE—Open Cash Handicap, $200, of which $100 to second and third to save his entrance. Winners of any race after the publication of weights, 5 lbs.; of two races, 8 lbs.; of three, 14 allowed.

J. E. Seagrave's ch. g. Felix, 5, by Fonso—Lucy Lisle, 97 ..... (Coleman) 1
W. Hendrie's b.f. Bo Peep, 4, 97 ..... (French) 2
D. W. Campbell's br. m. Augusta, 6, 112 ..... (Butler) 3
Bay View Stable's b.g. George L., 4, 101 ..... (Allen) 0
Hayden Stable's blk. f. Lady May, 3, 112 ..... (Steeds) 0
Lachlan Stable's br.h. Fenton, late Attorney, 5, 122 ..... (Guerin) 0
M. Gorman's ch.f. ....., by Sensation—Buxom, 90 ..... (Bernard) 0
Elmwood Stable's b.h. Newcourt, 5, 110 ..... (A. Gates) 0
D. Higgins' blk.g. Vigilance, 3, 106 ..... (Pierson) 0

Time—2.16.

(Winner trained by W. E. Owen.)

Betting: 7 to 5 against Bo Peep, 2 to 1 Felix, 4 to 1 each George L. and Fenton, 5 to 1 Lady May, 8 to 1 each Vigilance and Augusta, 10 to 1 Newcourt and 12 to 1 the Sensation filly.

Place betting: 3 to 5 against Bo Peep, 3 to 5 Felix, even George L., 8 to 5 Fenton, 3 to 1 Lady May, 3½ to 1 Augusta, 4 to 1 each Newcourt, and the Sensation filly, and 5 to 1 Vigilance.

The Race.—They got the flag with George L. in front, who at once gave place to Felix, with Lady May second, the others bunched. On passing the stand Lady May led Bo Peep by a length, with Felix third, Augusta fourth, George L. fifth, and the others strung out. Rounding the Club House turn Bo Peep set sail and showed the way down the back stretch, with Lady May second, Augusta third, and Felix leading the others, of which Vigilance, who was sulking, last. At the upper bend Bo Peep led by a length from Felix, who was closing on the favorite at every stride, and on entering the stretch was on even terms with Augusta third, George L. fourth, and Lady May in front of the others. When well into the stretch Felix and Bo Peep drew away, and after a driving finish Felix man landed the little grey very cleverly by a neck, with Bo Peep two lengths in front of Augusta third, with the others finishing as above.

Chandos by a Head.

FIFTH RACE—Hunters' Flat, $125, of which $25 to 2d. For horses owned by members of recognized Hunt Clubs, and that have been fairly hunted with any recognized pack of hounds in Canada or United States. Free Handicap between 10 and 12 lbs. Riders to be members of a Hunt Club or gentlemen approved of by the Committee. About 1½ miles.

A. Smith's Chandos, 6, 57 Thunderstorm—Scissors, 160 ..... (Mr. A. London) 1
T. Blong's ch.g. Trustee, a., 160 ..... (Mr. W. J. Ward) 2
T. P. Phelan's ch.g. Driftwood, 4, 150 ..... (Owner) 3

Time—2.23.

Betting 3 to 5 against Chandos, 8 to 1 each Trustee and Rejecter.

No place betting.

The Race.—Chandos was first away, followed closely by Driftwood and Trustee. Driftwood, however, at once rushed to the front and at the stand led by half a length from Chandos, the two was lapped by Trustee. They ran around in a close bunch till entering the back stretch, where Chandos dropped back. Rounding the east turn Chandos and Trustee drew up even with Driftwood, who fell back beaten. The two leaders raced on nearly even terms to the stand, Chandos only winning by a head.

The Winner Disqualified.

SIXTH RACE—The Helter Skelter Steeplechase, $150; $5 entrance, to go to 3d horse, third to save his entrance; weight 168 lbs. each; gentlemen riders allowed 7 lbs. Winners of any race value $300 barred. Meadow across country allowed 5 lbs. Half-breds allowed 7 lbs. Foreign breds 5 lbs. extra. Short steeplechase course.

T. Blong's ch.g. Trustee, 6, by Princeton—Nettie, 161 ..... (Blong) 1
A. Smith's br.g. Inspire, 6, 161 ..... (Mr. A. London) 2
F. A. Campbell's b.g. Pawnbroker, a., 168 ..... (Owner) 3
Red Bank Stable's b.m. Meadow Queen, 5, 168 ..... (McBride) *
Waverley Stable's ch.f. Evangeline, 4, 156 ..... (Finn) †

*Finished first but disqualified for being short of weight.
†Fell.

Time—

Betting: 3 to 5 against Meadow Queen, 3 to 1 Evangeline, 5 to 1 Inspire, 7 to 1 Trustee and 10 to 1 Pawnbroker.

No place betting.

The Race—Evangeline went to the front at the drop of the flag and showed the way over the first bank, with Meadow Queen second, Inspire third and Trustee fourth. In this order they ran to the stone wall, where Evangeline made a mistake and Phair went to the ground. Meadow Queen now assumed the lead, with Inspire second and Trustee third, taking the water in that order. Going to the rail fence the second time Trustee led Inspire by half a length, with Meadow Queen on the latter's hips. On jumping the double Trustee ran out wide carrying Inspire with him which allowed Meadow Queen to again go into first place which she kept to the finish, winning easily by a length from Trustee with Inspire beaten off. On returning to the stand it was found that Meadow Queen had lost her led pad and that McBride was twenty pounds short of weight. The Judges therefore awarded the race to Trustee, placing Inspire second. Pawnbroker, who stopped at several jumps, was ridden over the ground after considerable trouble.

The meeting will be continued to-morrow, when an excellent day's sport is expected.

Owners of the Winners.

Furbelow is owned by A. Sinclair, owner of a stock farm near Chatham. Harry Cooper is the property of J. D. Matheson and G. Gwatkin of Toronto.

Beechmore is owned in Ottawa.

Felix, the best horse of the day, is owned by Jos. Seagram, the well-known distiller of Waterloo.

Dr. Smith of this city owns Chandos and Trustee is the property of Dr. Moorehouse also of Toronto.

What the O.J.C. Wants.

If the Ontario Jockey Club continues at Woodbine those things are necessary: New stands of much larger dimensions; new judge's stand with press stand over it; a license to sell beer at least to the thousands of dry-throated mortals who attend; dressing rooms for jockeys; and a railway train service to the course.

CROWDS OF MERRYMAKERS

HOW THE PEOPLE OF TORONTO ENJOYED QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

The Island Alive with Old and Young—House of Providence Picnic—A Scientific Outing—Fireworks at the Baseball Grounds—Delightful Weather.

In accordance with the fitness of things "Queen's weather" characterized the Queen's birthday. The sun shone gloriously, the air was warm, and nature was in all the gaiety of her spring mood. It was just the day for holiday-makers, and heartily did tens of thousands avail themselves of the opportunity. There was a very general suspension of business. The two chief points of difference were that the hotels were open and the street-cars running. A good trade was done in each of these departments.

From an early hour the Union Station presented a busy scene. Both G.T. and C.P.R. companies offered facilities for travel at reduced rates, and these were largely taken advantage of. The passenger traffic was heavy both to and from Toronto. There were three G.T. excursions; a large party of Orangemen going to Brantford, and numerous contingents of Foresters to Galt and Orillia. The suburban service of trains was increased, and crowds thereby were enabled to enjoy themselves in the pleasant districts adjacent to Toronto. All the parks were largely patronized, picnics were legion, Sunday-school parties numerous, rigs of all kinds in great request, and there were sports galore: horse-racing, baseball, cricket, lacrosse, yachting and boating. Then there were theatres, concerts, cycloramas, tea-parties, art fair, fireworks and social gatherings. National flags floated gaily in the breeze from many staffs. In fact, in honor of the anniversary of Her Majesty's natal day, all went "merry as a marriage bell."

Although nearly everyone was keeping holiday the city was very orderly and there was small occasion for police intervention.

Crowds at the Island.

The Island yesterday maintained its pre-eminence as a place of popular resort and healthful recreation. Thousands crossed by the ferry boats, the chief rendezvous being Hanlan's Point. With rest the youngsters enjoyed the swings, merry-go-round and switch ride, while children of a larger growth and those more elderly strolled around at their own sweet will, duly patronized the refreshment booths, tea rooms, shooting galleries, or engaged in boating and bathing. Hundreds sat around the band stand, in Sinbad's phrase, "let the sounds of music creep into their ears." And well worth hearing were the strains discoursed in the afternoon and evening by the band of the Body Guards. A large number of persons spent the entire day on the Island, and sitting down to some of several hearty discussed the contents of sundry baskets and hampers, for though on pleasure bent their frugal mind had suggested their homely fare as preferable to the hotel menu. The many of the visitors took long rambles around the Island and inspected the breakwater and the works in progress at the Island Park. Indications are plentiful that a beautiful park will ultimately be formed here. The work already done is tending to a great transformation from the condition of the centre of the Island. A prosperous season is anticipated, and cottages are being erected in favorable localities. Despite the large crowd all returned in safety the better in health for their trip across the Bay.

House of Providence Picnic.

From 3000 to 4000 people attended the House of Providence picnic at Sunnyside yesterday. The grounds were crowded from early in the afternoon until late in the evening, and the arrangements were all that could be desired. Each Catholic church of the city had a separate table where refreshments and fancy articles were sold. A small army of young ladies furthermore patrolled the grounds soliciting subscriptions for the institution with a method which while decidedly charming always left the interviewed so much the poorer. Vicar-General Rooney, Father Cronnan, Rev. Father Garvin, Rev. Father Finan, and a number of other priests were present, besides many prominent members of the Catholic laity. Altogether the picnic was a decided success.

A Scientific Picnic.

The Biological Section of the Canadian Institute picnicked at High Park yesterday. The members present numbered some 25, and with their wives and families made quite a respectable gathering. President J. H. Pearce and Vice-President A. Rivers led the party on a tour of inspection over that portion of the park which Superintendent Chambers had visited with fire. The concensus of opinion was that the action of Mr. Chambers was wrong inasmuch as it injured the trees, and hurt the natural appearance of the park. Furthermore, the section viewed with dissent the work of thinning out the trees in the ravine. The want of a proper supply of water at the pavilion on the Island was also unfavorably commented on. At present there is nothing but an old pump which, when the park is crowded, is anything but adequate to supply the wants of visitors.

The Humber, High Park and Lake Shore.

The West End resorts were thronged with citizens yesterday. The Humber, Lake Shore and High Park were visited by fully 10,000 people. High Park was patronized chiefly by family parties, who went out to enjoy a quiet rest under the trees while discussing the contents of their big baskets. The Humber attracted crowds of fishermen and boatmen, while along the Lake Shore children paddled in the water, and enjoyed the fun of throwing stones into the lake. The street cars and suburban trains were taxed to their fullest capacity. In the morning and until about 4 in the afternoon it was impossible to get standing room in the cars going west, but after that the thing was reversed, and the crowds beginning to turn homeward piled into the cars until the space of an inch was not available. There were few signs of intemperance.

At Victoria Park.

One of the most delightful spots at which to spend a holiday is Victoria Park. It is easy of access and deservedly popular. Hither several thousands of excursionists repaired yesterday, the steamer Chicoutimi making several trips morning and afternoon. Games were indulged in and numerous prizes offered. The season has now fairly opened, and to afford more facilities to visitors the steamer Hastings will at an early date also make regular trips to the park.

Fireworks at the Base Ball Grounds.

There was a great crowd at the baseball grounds last night on the occasion of Prof. Hand's pyrotechnic display. The display on the whole was very creditable. It included a host of rockets, fire balloons, shells, Bengal lights and some effective set pieces. Amongst the latter were Aldersgate, London, Eng., as erected 1535, crown jewels, Saxon and Maltese crosses, horizontal wheels, etc. The piece de resistance was a representation of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 1805. The City and Bay of Naples are shown, the latter with sailing boats. Clouds of smoke are followed by rumblings and a discharge of showers of fire. The lava runs down from the crater, destroying parts of the city. A large portion of the mountain is blown up and there are showers of cinders and loose fragments. This concluded the exhibition, which will be repeated to-night. Anderson's band discoursed sweet music.

The New Catholic University of America.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—The ceremonies attending the laying of the corner stone of the university building of the new Catholic University of America took place this afternoon.

Winnipeg's New Engine.

WINNIPEG, May 24.—The new Roland engine was tested to-day with satisfactory results.

Adams' Tutti Frutti Gum is made from the sap of one of the finest trees in Mexico. Sold by all druggists and confectioners, 5 cents.

HENRY AND IRENE.

The Royal Wedding in the Chapel of Charlottenburg Castle.

BERLIN, May 24.—The marriage of Prince Henry, second son of Emperor Frederick, and Princess Irenee, third daughter of Grande Duke Ludwig of Hesse, was solemnized in the chapel of Charlottenburg Castle to-day. All the bells were rung at noon to announce that the ceremony had commenced and a salute of 36 guns, fired at 12.30, announced that the bride and bridegroom had exchanged rings.

Emperor Frederick and the Dowager Empress Augusta were present. Prince Henry and the Crown Prince were dressed in naval uniforms.

Thousands of people were assembled outside the castle. When General von Moltke arrived he was enthusiastically greeted by the multitude.

Prince Henry and his bride left by a special train at 3 o'clock for Erdmannsdorf, where they will spend the honeymoon. They received a continuous ovation along the route.

An Ovation to the Emperor.

BERLIN, May 24.—The Emperor and Empress drove through the streets of Berlin at 6 o'clock last evening. They received an immense ovation from the crowds lining the streets.

The Emperor rested better last night than he has any night since his arrival at Charlottenburg. He slept without coughing, for a period of three hours. He went into the park at 10 o'clock this morning.

CLEMENCEAU REPROACHED.

He is Charged with Having Increased the Republican Divisions.

PARIS, May 24.—The Republique Francaise, commenting on the meeting of the Republicans last night which denounced Boulangerism, reproaches M. Clemenceau with having increased the divisions in the Republican ranks.

The Intransigeant describes the new society which the meeting decided to organize as a re-election league.

An Anti-French Demonstration.

TURIN, May 24.—During the performance of a French operetta in the theatre here last evening a serious anti-French demonstration took place. The police were compelled to clear the building.

Resolved to Prevent Cæsarism.

PARIS, May 24.—At a meeting of Republican members of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies last night, it was resolved to combat Boulangerism and to employ every means to prevent Cæsarism, the meeting declaring that a Republican, not a Boulanger, revision of the constitution is needed.

PRESBYTERIAN CENTENNIAL.

Mass Meeting at Philadelphia—Methodists Elect Another Bishop.

PHILADELPHIA, May 24.—This was the centennial day of the Presbyterian Church, and the members of the two General Assemblies united in great mass meetings in the Academy of Music and Horticultural Hall. The ceremonies began in both buildings at 10 o'clock, and the crowds in attendance at both were enormous.

Dr. Newman Elected a Bishop.

NEW YORK, May 24.—The Methodist Conference to-day elected Dr. Newman a bishop.

United Presbyterians.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 24.—The Thirteenth General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America convened here this evening. Nearly 200 delegates from all portions of the United States and Canada, and some from foreign countries are present. Rev. Dr. W. T. Maloney of Chicago was elected moderator.

The Anglican Synod of Niagara.

HAMILTON, May 24.—On Tuesday next the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara will be convened in the school-room of Christ Church Cathedral. The proceedings promise to be very interesting and several important motions are announced for discussion. About seventy clergymen and 120 lay delegates are expected to be present. The Bishop of Niagara leaves soon after the synod is closed to attend the Pan-Anglican Conference in Lambeth Palace, London.

NOT ON THE PROGRAM.

Selby, Ont., Celebrates with a Big Bonfire—Started by Firecrackers.

SELBY, May 24.—A serious fire, the result of firecrackers, occurred here to-day. It originated in a barn adjoining James Gonus' hotel. Both buildings were soon in flames. The private residences of Mrs. Vanduzen and Mr. Anderson next caught, followed by the entire destruction of the two churches, English and Methodist, these last costing over $10,000 to build. McKim's house, carriage and blacksmith's shop next went. The total loss is $18,000, insurance $4500.

A Hamilton Pickpocket Arrested.

HAMILTON, May 24.—As Mrs. Ball and her husband were out walking last night the lady caught a man's hand in her pocket. When arrested he gave the name of Francis Conroy.

About 6 o'clock this morning a middle-aged man named John Fox was arrested on suspicion of being a thief. Fox is a cabinetmaker and belongs to this city. Upon his back was found a coat which has been identified as part of the property stolen from the house of Mr. Alfred Webber. A set of single harness belonging to Mr. James Warrick that was stolen was also recovered.

Pinegrove Inn Consumed.

HAMILTON, May 24.—Shortly after 12 o'clock last night one of the most destructive fires which has taken place in the County of Wentworth for several years occurred at Pinegrove, on the Town-line between Barton and Glanford. The entire hotel premises, residence, stables and outbuildings belonging to Mr. Sylvester Long, with all their contents, were destroyed. When Mr. Long discovered the fire he had not a moment to lose in saving the inmates of the house, and had difficulty in getting the guests, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll of Tilsonburg and a lady lodger, out in time. The buildings were all of wood and went like a flash. The stables, driving shed, etc., were also all burned down, and a horse, sulky and set of harness were alone saved from destruction. The loss is $4000; no insurance.

Were the 60,000 Duped?

CHICAGO, May 24.—A dime museum in this city has been showing this week a man and a woman alleged to be Chaska, the Indian, and Cora Fellows, the young Washington society woman who married him. The museum has overflowed with people all day long, and lines of ticket buyers in the street have curled around the block. A man who watched the couple pretty closely declares that the alleged Mrs. Chaska is really No. 1 in a beauty show that was held here five years ago, and that her noble savage is a tramp with his face shaved and colored. More than 60,000 people have paid to see the couple so far.

Pasteur Cured Him of the Wolf's Bite.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., May 24.—William Chamberlain, a wealthy stockman, who was bitten by a mad wolf three months ago and who visited Paris to be treated by Pasteur, returned home to-day entirely cured. His friends to-night gave him a grand reception. Mr. Chamberlain is brother of Mrs. Thomas King, the largest individual landholder in Texas. Mr. Chamberlain is confident that Dr. Spahn will establish an institute at San Antonio for the treatment of rabies.

The Diss Debars to be Tried in June.

NEW YORK, May 24.—A number of people visited the Court of General Sessions yesterday expecting the trial of the spook manufacturers, Ann O'Delia Salomon, and her side partner, Gen. Diss Debar, to begin, but they were disappointed, as it had been decided to postpone the case. Judge Gildersleeve set the trial for June 4.

AN INFANT BURNED TO DEATH.

Sad Ending of Alphonse O'Neil—An Old Woman Severely Injured.

Yesterday morning the infant son of Wm. O'Neil, restaurant keeper, 239 King east, was fatally burned. For some time Mrs. O'Neil has been in delicate health and had in her employ Mrs. M. Rogers, aged 60 years, as nurse. About 6.30 Mrs. Rogers went down to the kitchen to prepare breakfast for Mrs. O'Neil and left the boy Alphonse in the back bedroom, first floor. He was partly dressed. The little fellow got hold of a coal oil can and poured some of the oil on the kitchen stovepipe which runs up through the first floor hall and was hot. In a moment the flames darted up and the boy was in a blaze. The nurse rushed up-stairs and tried to put the fire out by wrapping her skirts round him, but these being of a light material she too was speedily in flames. By this time Mrs. O'Neil and Mr. O'Neil had come to their aid, and by wrapping blankets round them put the fire out. In doing so Mrs. O'Neil burned her hands severely. A neighbor took the boy to the General Hospital in a coupe, and there too Mrs. Rogers was sent in the ambulance as soon as doctors had dressed the burns. The boy died at the Hospital three hours subsequently. Mrs. Rogers is severely burned on the hands and legs, but it is expected she will recover.

The brigade was summoned and the fire extinguished after doing about $200 to $700 damage to furniture, etc., exclusive of the damage to the building. Over $300 damage was done by water to the stock and furniture of N. H. Weinberg, clothier, whose store is next to O'Neil's. Mr. Weinberg is insured in the North British and Mercantile. Mr. O'Neil is only partially insured in the Western.

Fires of a Day.

At 8.40 a.m. a still alarm brought out the Yonge-street firemen to extinguish a blaze in a yard on St. Joseph-street. A bonfire on Sackville-street gave the Wilton-avenue squad a run at 2.10 p.m. Later on the Wilton-avenue men were again called out to extinguish a fire which threatened to burn up the Riverdale Park toboggan slide. A fire in a shed in rear of 106 Huron-street brought out the West End firemen at 3.20. The owner is John Hawkins, and the damage is assessed at $2. A barn in rear of 239 Dundas-street, caught fire at 8.13, giving the Dundas-street section a twenty-minutes' outing. Damage $2. A bonfire on Rusholme-road made the Dundas-street firemen turn out again at 8.45.

QUEEN'S DAY AT THE ART FAIR.

A Great Crowd at Visitors—The Fancy Calico Ball Attended.

There were more people at the Art Fair last night than at any time since it opened. The full capacity of the building was well taxed, but the admittance fee being only 25 cents, the receipts were not so large as on some other nights.

The May Masque, the Court Dance and the Minuet were all given last night. In addition to this Miss Howard and the Misses Jarvis came out as the "Three Little Maids," and sang the song from the "Mikado" very amusingly. They were prettily attired in Japanese costumes and their stage action was such as to win a hearty applause. Miss Richardson also sang several songs which secured the decided approval of the audience.

The art exhibit drew continued attention. The refreshment booths were well patronized. The stage performance was a drawing card all the time. But a good many visitors contented themselves in strolling around and loitering near the antiquely decorated stalls, dimly lighted with colored lights and graced with pretty women.

The Art Fair has been a financial success if anything surplus entitles it to that name. President O'Brien, of the Canadian Academy of Arts, however, is disappointed. He counted on clearing $5000 to place a fund to be devoted to the erection of a building in Toronto where the collection of art gallery might be established in connection with the Canadian Academy. He is delighted with the way the fair has been aided by the people who have taken part in the management and the financial result, but the time the public has not done its duty. The daily receipts have not averaged more than $300. The ball which is to be given to-night, to conclude the fair, will, of course, raise the average. It is expected that the attendance will be large. Seats for spectators are provided in the gallery at 50 cents each. Ticket-holders for the ball will enter by Church-street; for the gallery by Cawthra-avenue.

The sales of pictures during the exhibition have been unusually few. The President says he does not remember any exhibition under the auspicies of the Academy where the sales have been so light.

CABINET CHANGES.

Real and Rumored—Mr. Foster Succeeds Sir Charles as Finance Minister.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The first change in the Cabinet has been made by the appointment of Hon. Mr. Foster to succeed Sir Charles Tupper as Finance Minister. The latter resigned yesterday and was reappointed High Commissioner. The appointments were, I believe, the last official acts of Lord Lansdowne.

Other appointments and changes must be made ere long, but Sir John in conversation to-day intimated that they may not be made immediately.

It is rumored that C. H. Tupper, M.P. for Pictou, will succeed Hon. Mr. Foster, Hon. Mr. McLelan retiring to the Lieutenant-Governorship of Nova Scotia and leaving Hon. Mr. Thompson and young Tupper as the representatives of Nova Scotia in the Cabinet.

To Make More Room for Members.

OTTAWA, May 24.—It is rumored that during recess arrangements will be made for providing residences for the sergeant-at-arms and other officials who occupy rooms in the House of Commons, so that there may be more accommodation for the members. Something like fifty rooms in the Parliament Buildings are occupied by officials.

Wedding Bells at Montreal.

MONTREAL, May 24.—Judge Loranger was married this forenoon to Madame Varin at the Bishop's Chapel, His Lordship