

SOLARIO IS WORTH MILLION DOLLARS

Sir John Rutherford, Owner, Once Rejected \$500,000 For Horse

Sir John Rutherford, owner of Solario, which is regarded as worth \$1,000,000 since it recently added the Ascot Gold Cup to its victory in the St. Leger last fall, has only one other horse in training, according to an interview he recently gave to "The Scout," a notable English turf writer. The horse of the century, may be regarded as enough of a possession, but it is not frequent that such an outstanding thoroughbred constitutes practically a whole stable.

Sir John is a wealthy bachelor and the horse, he told "The Scout," means everything to him while money means nothing. Although popularly valued at \$1,000,000, no such offer has been made to Sir John, even if the Aga Khan actually did offer \$800,000 for Solario had won the St. Leger. In many quarters then it was regarded as a wise business move to reject the sum because as a stallion Solario could earn between \$27,000 and \$30,000 each year with every chance of being good for anywhere from four to 14 years.

Sir John, in his interview, said: "I have been seen on horses all my life and many years ago I used to show hacks and win cups with myself in the saddle. I once had to go in the Grand National but Solario is the first great horse I have ever owned. In fact I have only one other horse in training."

SHORT SESSION OF QUEENS CO. COURT

GAGETOWN, July 8.—His Honor Judge A. R. Sillip was here from Fredericton on Tuesday afternoon to preside over the July sessions of the Queens County Court. The only business to come before the court was the granting of naturalization papers to an Italian woman, resident of Chipman, after which court adjourned.

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HELPFUL HINTS —BY— GOLFING STARS

JOE NOVAK—VALUE OF INSTRUCTION

If one is really anxious to master some of the finer points of golf, it is surprising how many valuable tips are received during a thorough course of instruction. If these are heeded and remembered they will be of great assistance to the ambitious golfer. After learning to drive well it is necessary to develop a consistent short game, because it is here the strokes are saved, and the player who concentrates on being dead to the pin has made an important step in the right direction.

Of course, the importance of consistently good putting must not be overlooked. Many matches go to the player who puts well and runs them down with consistent regularity. So to play good golf there are three important things to master, driving, approaching and putting.

One final suggestion on approaching should prove valuable. The whole thought is this: In approaching it is the speed and not the length of the swing that determines the distance the ball is to go.

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ABE MITCHELL—WETHERED'S LONG BALL

Mr. Wethered hits the ball very cleanly, and not often does he hit it into the sky, a point which is due to his club head traveling well after the ball before the head begins to come up. Put another way, he is a long, flat bit in the swing which is seen immediately before the club head reaches the ball, and also just after the ball has gone. This is just as it should be, and the onlooker, who is out to see those things, will notice that his

Modern Sport Originated In Religious Ceremonies Says English Professor

LONDON, July 8.—Modern sport, ritual dramatic performances and sacred games played with a ball, are a survival of religious rituals, according to Professor G. Elliot Smith, professor of anatomy in the University of London.

"The particular forms games have assumed," he said, "are the result of historical circumstances. The earliest games that had any staying powers and have survived into modern times were not simply sports but the most serious and sacred occupations of primitive men. Like the drama, they formed part of religious ceremonies that aimed at life-giving."

Professor Smith said that ball games are as old as civilization and possibly as man himself. He attributed man's most distinctive attributes to his skill of hand and eye.

"The natural impulse of the human child to play with a stick and ball is prompted by an instinct as irresistible as that which impels the lion's kitten to acquire by play the skill that is so vital to its existence," he explained.

"The earliest European references to games that were the ancestors of hockey and football (cricket) are found in an Irish epic, probably written early in the seventeenth century. In his description of London during the twelfth century, Fitzstephens says that at Shrovetide schoolboys devoted the morning to cockfights under the control of their masters, while in the afternoon all the young men of the city engaged in football, various schools and crafts opposing each other. In 1469 a proclamation was issued in London forbidding the levy of money for 'football' and 'cocktreshing,' or cock-fighting."

J. P. McCONNELL DIES.

TORONTO, July 8.—J. P. McConnell, of the advertising firm of McConnell and Ferguson, Limited, Toronto, died in Wellesley Hospital here this afternoon after a critical operation. He was born in Lucknow, Ont., 32 years ago.

"Tug-of-war was a type of ritual conflict to promote the welfare of the gods and the prosperity of the community that was observed more than thirty centuries ago in the East. At one time ball games used to be played in churches at Easter. They are supposed to represent survivals of the

REV. DR. S. J. SHOREY DIES.
PICKTON, Ont., July 8.—Rev. Dr. S. J. Shorey, former president of the Bay of Quinte Methodist church here, is dead. For the past few years he had lived here.

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