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THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE HOW TO BREED, REAR AND TRAIN THEM.

BY AN OLD TRAINER.

CHAPTER XXXVI.

*Ventilation, Sanitary Regulations—
Use of Blankets while Cooling the Horse—
Shedding the Coat—Cruel Uses of the
Horse—Heat Races and Evil Effects—
Accidents.*

[From the Spirit of the Times].

It is a fact that horses trained at the tracks above mentioned may not be much affected in cold weather when they remain only a few weeks in the stable, or may not be affected so much as those reared by their trainers, but let them remain all summer, and the poisonous effects of the weather upon both boys and horses

are many causes of disease mentioned above. If a horse is shut in a stall under a summer thus, the ammonia which he absorbs through his nose and through the atmosphere through the treatment will make the horse

and will be intelligent to the biology of the horse. The horse is the noblest animal of creation, and therefore, in domestication, he may deteriorate, unless he is treated in accordance with the just laws. In order to do so every man should be taught, who uses the horse in any way, whether thoroughbred or not, over the course, through the country, under the saddle, as a hack, or to harness, that if he wishes to preserve in full vigor, for a long time, the fangs and the legs, the muscles and the cords, he must neither clip nor blanket him, but should provide him with a good stall, large and roomy, and keep it reasonably filled with oat, wheat, or rye straw, where the horse can lie down and rest his weary limbs, where he can roll and scratch himself at will, and enjoy it, and, if he is a valuable horse, he deserves this enjoyment. If watered and well-fed, he will come out of his stall next morning refreshed and reinvigorated, ready to perform, with promptness, any reasonable task; but if a horse, after severe work of any kind, is tied up in a narrow stall, so short that he cannot lie down, or if large enough to allow this man

meat the demands of nature, and resist attacks from exposure to the atmosphere which he was destined to breathe.

When he sheds his coat nature has so wisely arranged it that he sheds it by degrees, taking from six to seven weeks to get rid of the old coat. During that time the new coat has formed, and thus nature continues her work of protection until old age comes on, and the vital fire of youthful blood cools down, and then he but seldom sheds, because the coat of long hair is a necessary protection from cold to the thin blood and shrinking muscle incident to declining years. Sir Archy did not shed during the last three years of his life. So it will be seen that nature has arranged all things wisely. When horses shed off in the fall for the first time the hair is then shorter, apparently, than at any period of the year, but this is only apparently so. Cool nights prevail about that time and the hair stands erect and the body appears to be almost naked. Sympathizing persons, although opposed to using clothing upon the horse, think they ought to have a little covering until the hair grows out. This is a mistake, for the hair must be exposed to the air to make it grow. If the horse is clothed during the time he is shedding and the use of clothing continued until he is turned out or let up, he will have very short hair and too light a coat to protect him, and result in the necessity for clothing him the remainder of the winter. If he had not been clothed in the fall his hair would have grown long and would have protected him from cold during the winter. The Canadian pony, bred in latitude 45 deg. or 46 deg., and the Shetland pony bred in latitude 53 deg. have hair four inches long, which is necessary to protect them in these bleak cold countries, which shows that nature provides suitable protection for all animals in all climates.

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English Guff.

LIVERPOOL—THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP.

AUSTERLITZ THE WINNER.

The principal event of the Liverpool Spring Meeting, on Friday, 22nd ult., the Grand International Steeplechase Handicap, was won by Mr. F. G. Hobson's ch h Austerlitz. This event, which is regarded as the most important cross-country event of the year, closed with 62 subscribers, 15 of which declared out. There were 16 starters, with Shifnal and Chimney Sweep as favorites at 6 to 1 against them, neither of whom got a place. The odds against Austerlitz was 10 to 1, Congress, who finished second, rating at 20 to 1, and Liberator, who finished third, at 25 to 1.

LIVERPOOL, March 23—The Grand National Steeplechase Handicap Sweepstakes, at £25 each, 15 forfeit, and 6 only if declared out by noon of Jan. 23, with £500 added, the second to receive £100, and the third to save his stake, winners of any steeplechase after the weights were announced, Jan. 8, at 11 a.m., to carry 6 lbs.; of one of the value of £200, 7 lbs.; of £300, 10 lbs.; of £1,000, 12 lbs extra. Closed with 62 subscribers, 15 of whom declared out, Grand National course, nearly four miles and a half.

F G Hobson's ch h Austerlitz, 5 yrs, by Ratanplan, dam Lufra, by Windhound, 148 lbs. 1
Capt Machell's br g Congress, aged, by Compromise, dam Countess, by Slane, 175 lbs. 2
Mr Moore's br g The Liberator, aged, by Dan O'Connell, dam Mary O Toole, 153 lbs. 3
John Nightingale's br h Shifnal, aged, by Saccarometer, dam Countess Amy, 159 lbs. 0
Lord M Beresford's br g Chimney Sweep, aged (half-bred), by Planet, 153 lbs. 0

Austerlitz was bred by Lord Scarborough, and was sired by Ratanplan, dam Lufra (dam of Lowlander), by Windhound; 2nd dam Mand, by Loup Garou, &c. Although always regarded as a promising young horse, Austerlitz never succeeded in capturing any event of note until he landed the Grand National. He has, however, developed finely, and will be likely to prove a dangerous adversary in many of the prominent cross-country events to follow.

Ferrosse.

LONDON

The Trigger.

SHOOTING AT ST. CATHERINES.

The seventh annual tournament, under the auspices of the St. Catharines' Pigeon Shooting Club, terminated very successfully. Owing to the unfavorable weather, the number of entries was not as numerous as was anticipated. Forty shooters participated for the honors. The following is the summary:—

SQUAD 1.

Fulton, Niagara Falls.....	1110010111— 7
Woodruff, St. Catharines ..	1011111100— 7
Pierre, Niagara Falls.....	1111111111—10
Isaac, Niagara Falls.....	1111111111—10
Nichols, Syracuse, N.Y.....	1111011111— 9
Manning, Syracuse, N.Y.....	0111111111— 9

SQUAD 2.

McIntosh, Thorold.....	1111011111— 9
Zip Dalton, St. Catharines ..	1111111111—10
Dunfield, Niagara Falls.....	0111111010— 7
H Connor, Syracuse, N.Y.....	1101111111— 9
D Woodruff, St. Davids.....	1101110011— 7
Middleton, Stratford.....	1111110011— 8

SQUAD 3.

McKay, Hamilton.....	1111111111—10
Bosson, St. Catharines.....	0111111111— 9
Doc Schryer, Ft. Erie.....	1111110011— 8
J Christian, Ft. Erie.....	1011011111— 8
Walker, Niagara Falls.....	1111011111— 8

SQUAD 4.

Mummary, London.....	0110111 retired
Kemper, Syracuse, N.Y.....	10011 retired
Atcher, Stratford.....	0111101001— 6
Barrett, Toronto.....	1111111011— 9
Dawson, St. Catharines.....	1111100111— 8
A May, St. Catharines.....	111100 retired

SQUAD 5.

Webster, Toronto.....	1101101101— 7
J Glenn, London.....	0111111011— 8
G Rogers, St. Catharines.....	1111111111—10
Leahy, Syracuse, N.Y.....	000 retired.
H Jones, Buffalo.....	1111111111—10
F Pierson, Pittsburgh, Pa.....	0101 retired

SQUAD 6.

Spence, St. Catharines.....	1111111110— 9
F Reid, St. Catharines.....	01011 retired
Finch.....	110 retired
Parnell, St. Catharines.....	1111111111—10
Grobb, St. Catharines.....	10 retired
Nixon, St. Catharines.....	10 retired

Athletic.

Mr. J. L. O'Conner, of Oakville, Ont., is out with a challenge to jump any man in Ontario, three consecutive jumps for \$1,000, the trial to take place any time this summer. It would have looked a little more like business if Mr. O.C. had accompanied his challenge with a hundred or two.

Weston and O'Leary, the American pedestrians, commenced their six days' walk for \$10,000 at London, Eng., on Monday, at noon.

Another fatal football accident has occurred in England. A few days since, during the progress of a game at Stroud, Mr. Holloway, one of the players, received a blow which, for a time, he seemed to feel severely. On re-suming play, he became faint, and died shortly after being removed from the field.

A series of football matches is under contemplation by the Football Association, when a challenge cup will be competed for. The first match is likely to take place about the 5th of May between McGill and the Argonauts of Toronto. The McGill team will be about the same as opposed Harvard last year.

Billiards.

TOURNAMENT AT UTICA.

The following are the winners at the Utica tournament, which closed on March 27. John Bevinger of New York, first money, \$300, Theo. J. Gallagher of Cleveland, second money, \$250, William Barleigh of Kalamazoo, third money, \$150, Jacob Schaefer of New York, fourth money, \$125, Eugene Carter of Toledo, fifth money, \$75. Mr. Bevinger also wins the Colman gold mounted cup for the best general average.

The following is the order in which the various players stood at the conclusion of the tourney.

	Won	Lost	Score	Gen. Ave.
Bevinger.....	4	1	1,473	13 23 35
Gallagher.....	4	1	1,280	10 19 63
Barleigh.....	3	2	1,225	8 37 111
Schaefer.....	2	3	1,431	11 111 123
Carter.....	1	4	1,125	7 128 141
Knight.....	1	4	1,218	8 21 75

Mr. Sam Davidson is the third best player in the tournament of the International Billiard Club at Hamilton.

Heat Races and Evil Effects—Examples.

[From the Spirit of the Times].

Admit that horses trained at the tracks above had to may not be much affected in cold weather, or when they remain only a few weeks at a meeting, or may not be affected so much as to be observed by their trainers; but let them be there all summer, and the poisonous effects of the water upon both boys and horses will be manifest. There are many causes which contribute to the heat of the stalls under which the horses are kept. I have seen the stalls in the best of summer, thus heated, and the ammonia from the urine of the horses, and the heat of the sun, and the heat of the horses themselves, are absorbed by the walls, and they are eagerly sucking up the heat of the atmosphere through the cracks of the stalls. The treatment will be to have the stalls made the horse's house, and will be to have the stalls made of a material which will not absorb the heat of the sun, and will not absorb the heat of the horses themselves, and will not absorb the heat of the atmosphere through the cracks of the stalls. The objects of training if these objects be to make the horse, improve his health, and by proper care bring the horse to the post in that condition that will assure a fair chance of success. The owner must not look for success by accident or the misfortune of his horse, indeed, his horses should be treated like others similarly treated. It is a mistake to think that a horse properly trained and in a robust health, although inferior in race, will wind up, and in the end will be better horses easily. Condition, with good care, is more than half the battle. The man who runs a horse while out of condition will be without one, unless he is high in flesh, and the time too short to work into condition. A horse may be run if the race is not too severely contested, and it will improve and he will continue to improve and run races during the season. If he should be worked while too low in flesh, he will go and continue to decline until he becomes useless. The remedy is to let him up after the race. I noticed last season that the horses were run and won by those horses who were looked to the eye to be in the best condition. It does not hurt a horse to run one, two, or four races during the week if he is in and properly prepared. The training under heavy clothing that the horse to break down, and not the habit of racing he runs. The habit is to remove, to throw on hot blankets, the perspiration is streaming from every pore, and exhausted nature is trying to relieve from the effects of over-exertion. It would be better if the blankets were kept off, at least until the steam, which arises from the heated vapors. When the fluids, which are on the surface by the fatigue and exertion, has ceased to flow, then, and then something of a light nature be thrown on the horse without injury, but even that is necessary if the horse is kept in motion, and a sharp wind is blowing. The obvious reasons for this treatment are, if horses heated from exertion will relieve themselves, if in condition, without blankets. Why deplete them more than is necessary use of blankets while in a state of freedom, which, of itself, depletes the perspiration quite enough without the addition of blankets. Such treatment exhausts more in one race than he should be or if cooled out without blankets, the convictions of experience are too strongly against the blankets. It seems to me that every sensible man that a horse, if cooled, was furnished by nature with a covering, covering his entire body to

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won by Mr. F. G. Hobson's ch h Ansterlitz. This event, which is regarded as the most important cross-country event of the year, closed with 62 subscribers, 15 of which declared out. There were 16 starters, with Shifnal and Chimney Sweep as favorites at 6 to 1 against them, neither of whom got a place. The odds against Ansterlitz was 10 to 1, Congress, who finished second, rating at 20 to 1, and Liberator, who finished third, at 25 to 1. LIVERPOOL, March 23.—The Grand National Steeplechase Handicap Sweepstakes, at £25 each, 15 forfeit, and 5 only if declared out by noon of Jan 23, with £500 added, the second to receive £100, and the third to save his stake, winners of any steeplechase after the weights were announced, Jan 8, at 11 a.m., to carry 5 lbs.; of one of the value of £200, 7 lbs.; of £500, 10 lbs.; of £1,000, 12 lbs extra. Closed with 62 subscribers, 15 of whom declared out; Grand National course, nearly four miles and a half. F G Hobson's ch h Ansterlitz, 5 yrs, by Rataplan, dam Lufru, by Windhound, 148 lbs. 1 Capt Machell's br g Congress, aged, by Compromise, dam Countess, by Slane, 175 lbs. 2 Mr Moore's br g The Liberator, aged, by Dan O'Connell, dam Mary J Toole, 162 lbs. 3 John Nightingale's br h Shifnal, aged, by Sacharometer, dam Countess Amy, 159 lbs. 0 Lord M Beresford's br g Chimney Sweep, aged (half-bred), by Planet, 153 lbs. 0 Ansterlitz was bred by Lord Scarborough, and was sired by Rataplan, dam Lufru (dam of Lowlander), by Windhound; 2nd dam Maud, by Loup Garou &c. Although always regarded as a promising young horse, Ansterlitz never succeeded in capturing any event of note until he landed the Grand National. He has, however, developed finely, and will be likely to prove a dangerous adversary in many of the prominent cross-country events to follow.

Lacrosse.

LONDON.
The London Lacrosse Club held their annual meeting last week, and fully organized for the season of 1877. The following officers were elected:—Honorary Patrons, Col. Walker and I. Waterman, Esq, President, J. H. Fraser, Esq., M.P.; 1st Vice, Wm. Carling, Esq.; 2nd do., John Taylor, Esq.; 3rd do., Mayor Pritchard, Esq.; Secretary, A. Campbell; Assistant do., J. B. Vining; Treasurer, W. R. Vining, Esq.; Captain, Geo. Angus; Committee—F. Roller, W. Nichol, and Harry Scarrow.

MONTREAL.

The annual meeting of the Emerald Club took place last week, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing season.—President, Mr. Patrick McElroy (unanimous); 1st Vice-President, Mr. Jas. Shea (unanimous); 2nd Vice-President, Mr. Thos. Farmer; Field Captain, Mr. Polan (unanimously re-elected); Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. John F. Campbell; Assistant Secretary, Mr. J. Polan. Committee—Messrs. F. J. Martin, Alex. H. Woods, J. D. O'Neill, T. Meehan, James Boyle, M. Newell and John Hughes.

THE TORONTO CLUB.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Toronto Lacrosse Club, held at the club rooms, King street east, the following officers were elected:—President, Mr. James Hughes; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. T. Mitchell and Charles Nelson; Field Captain, Mr. S. Hughes; Treasurer, Mr. Geo. Massey; Secretary, Mr. W. O. Ross; Committee, Messrs. J. Henderson, R. Mitchell, C. Robinson, J. Langley, J. Massey, R. Hamilton, and H. Suckling. The club anticipate a stirring season, and intend to put forth their utmost efforts to retain the lacrosse championship, which they hope to be able to carry across the Atlantic on their trip next year.

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SQUAD 1.

Fulton, Niagara Falls.....	1110010111—7
Wooldruff, St. Catharines...	1011111100—7
Feire, Niagara Falls.....	1111111111—10
Isaacs, Niagara Falls.....	1111111111—10
Nichols, Syracuse, N.Y.....	1111011111—9
Manning, Syracuse, N.Y....	0111111111—9

SQUAD 2.

McIntosh, Thorold.....	1111101111—9
Zip Dalton, St. Catharines...	1111111111—10
Bamfield, Niagara Falls...	0111111010—7
H Connor, Syracuse, N.Y...	1101111111—9
D Woodruff, St. Davids...	1101110011—7
Middleitch, Stratford.....	1111110011—8

SQUAD 3.

McKay, Hamilton.....	1111111111—10
Bosson, St. Catharines.....	0111111111—9
Doc Schryer, Ft. Erie.....	1111110011—8
J Christian Ft. Erie.....	1011011111—8
Walker, Niagara Falls.....	1111001111—8

SQUAD 4.

Mummary London.....	0110110 retired
Kember, Syracuse, N.Y....	10011 retired
Atcher, Stratford.....	0111101001—6
Barrett, Toronto.....	1111111011—9
Dawson, St. Catharines...	1111100111—8
A May, St. Catharines.....	111100 retired

SQUAD 5.

Webster, Toronto.....	1101101101—7
J Glenn, London.....	0111111011—8
G Rogers, St. Catharines...	1111111111—10
Loder, Syracuse, N.Y.....	000 retired.
H Jones, Buffalo.....	1111111111—10
F Pierson, Pittsburgh, Pa...	0101 retired

SQUAD 6.

Spence, St. Catharines.....	1111111110—9
F Reid, St. Catharines.....	01011 retired
Finch.....	110 retired
Parnell, St. Catharines.....	1111111111—10
Grobb, St. Catharines.....	10 retired
Nixon, St. Catharines.....	10 retired

SQUAD 7.

James, Toronto.....	11110 retired
A Rogers, Thorold.....	11110 retired
J Evans, Syracuse, N.Y....	1110 retired
G Curtis, Niagara Falls...	110 retired
J E Smith, Niagara Falls...	10 retired

TIES.

26 yds.	81 yds.	Miss and out
H Jones... 11101—4		
H Pierce 11100—3	101—2	1
G Rogers 11001—3	110—2	0
J Parnell 11010—3	001—1	
D Isaacs... 01101—3	000—0	
T McKay 00101—2	11—2	
Z Dalton 00011—2	00—0	Ties of 2.

RECAPITULATION.

H Jones, Buffalo, N.Y.....	\$75
H Pierce, Niagara Falls, N.Y.....	40
G Rogers, St. Catharines.....	30
J Parnell, St. Catharines.....	25
D Isaacs, Niagara Falls.....	15
T M. Kay, Hamilton.....	10
Z Dalton, St. Catharines.....	5

A sweepstake took place with 13 entries, 8 birds, \$2 each, divided into 8 prizes. Messrs Fulton, Peire and Isaacs won, killing 3 straight each, and divided the sweep.

On Friday, 30th, a match came off between Mr. G. Rogers and Mr. James, 10 birds, plunge traps, Rogers winning, killing 8 to James' 7.

The first shoot at snow birds for the gold medal had 15 competitors entered for the trophy. It proved to be a very exciting contest. Mr. G. Rogers won it by splendid shooting, knocking down 9 out of 10; but, by some misunderstanding, Doc Schryer, of Fort Erie, was awarded it. I think the Retiring Board did not give Mr. Rogers justice by counting him out. The Dec. will have to keep in good condition to retain it three times in succession; if capable of doing so it will become his property.

Messrs. Glenn and Pierce are matched to shoot in two weeks for \$100. Nrx.

trains, commenced their six days' walk for \$10,000 at London, Eng., on Monday, at noon.

Another fatal football accident has occurred in England. A few days since, during the progress of a game at Stroud, Mr. Holloway, one of the players, received a blow which, for a time, he seemed to feel severely. On re-suming play, he became faint, and died shortly after being removed from the field.

A series of football matches is under contemplation by the Football Association, when a challenge cup will be competed for. The first match is likely to take place about the 6th of May between McGill and the Argonauts of Toronto. The McGill team will be about the same as opposed Harvard last year.

Billiards.

TOURNAMENT AT UTICA.

The following are the winners at the Utica tournament, which closed on March 27. John Bessunger of New York, first money, \$400; Thos. J. Gallagher of Cleveland, second money, \$250; William Burleigh of Kalamazoo, third money, \$150; Jacob Schaefer of New York, fourth money, \$125; Eugene Carter of Toledo, fifth money, \$75. Mr. Bessunger also wins the Callender gold-mounted one for the best general average.

The following is the order in which the various players stood at the conclusion of the tourney:

Won	Lost	Score	Gen. Ave.
Bessunger.....	4	1	1,473 10 23 30
Gallagher.....	4	1	1,280 10 60 63
Burleigh.....	3	2	1,225 8 97 141
Schaefer.....	2	3	1,431 11 111 120
Carter.....	1	4	1,125 7 138 141
Knight.....	1	4	1,248 8 24 75

Mr. Sam Davis has retired from the management of the International Billiard Parlor, Hamilton.

ST. JOHNS, N.B., ITEMS.

The well known trainer and driver, Col. Dickey, formerly of the firm of Howe & Dickey, St. Louis, Mo., has located at St. Johns, and assumed control of the trotting course at that place. His stable, as now organized, consists of Mambrino Monarch, Mambrino Charter, Colonel Taylor, New Brunswick Boy, Gentle Annie, Maggie Mitchell. Among others there training are Mr. Charles Bell, in whose stable is the very fast green mare, Nelly Irving, by Crown Prince; she is claimed to be faster than her sire.

Wm. Coville has sixteen animals, all ages, in his string. Mr. Barker, former owner of Crown Prince, has several very fine and fast colts. He has a bay mare by the Reed Horse, at Frederickton, that is very fast and "as handsome as a doll." He is going to send her to Carl Burr, on Long Island, to train this season. Mr. Golding has a former, by Jay Gould, Combination, also a Hambletonian, and quite fast, the property of G. O. H. Bailey, of Portland, and a five-year old by Aberdeen, a good one that can trot in 2:50. Mr. Robert Edwards has Dutchman, 6 years old, a Bahaw stallion, reported to be quite fast. The Association have elected Mr. George Barker President and Fred Fitzpatrick Secretary and Treasurer of their track, and will have more trotting there this season than ever before.

Mr. James Douglas, of the Town of Warwick, shot a very large wild cat near Watford, last week. The animal was gray with age, and had only one toe on his right front foot, the other portion having apparently been taken off by a trap some time since. After killing two hens and two geese, the cat used up two dogs, when Mr. D. tracked him to a house, and awaiting an opportunity, shot him through the head.

A TROTTER'S TRAINER'S EXPERIENCE WITH TOE-WEIGHTS.

CHATHAM, Ont., March 5, 1877.

DEAR SPIRIT Although my name does not appear on your subscription list, I have been a regular reader of The Spirit for a number of years, and highly appreciate its great value to horsemen and the world in general.

Since reading "North Branch's" very interesting and instructive article on toe-weights, gait and bits, in your issue of Feb. 17, I have concluded to give you my views on the same subjects.

In the first place, I would say that my conclusions are based on an experience of eighteen years spent in the training and driving of trotters.

Several years ago I came to the conclusion that much of the success of the trotting horse trainer and driver depended on the proper shoeing of his horses, and I at once went to work and acquired a practical knowledge of horse-shoeing. This knowledge has very much assisted me in experiments with all kinds of shoes and weights that have been used to assist the trotter and enable him to develop his speed.

When I have derived new ideas from others or conceived them myself, concerning shoes or weights, I have been enabled to thoroughly test them by being able to make what I might want for my experiments.

It is not necessary for me here to introduce evidence to prove that weights, properly applied to the feet of the trotting horse, assist him in keeping his gait square and level, and enable him to speed faster than he could without them. All horsemen whose opinions I have ever been able to consult concede that they do; but while all horsemen admit that weight is necessary to assist many horses in speeding fast, there is a difference of opinion among horsemen with regard to the proper manner of applying the weight to the feet.

There are a few, and one or two of them among the most noted horsemen of the day, who claim that the only proper way to apply weights is to put it into the web of the horse's shoes and nail it on to the ground surface or inferior part of the horse's feet. While the great majority of trainers believe that a better result may be obtained by applying the weight on the wall of the foot, at the toe, in the shape of toe-weights, or by applying it on the sides of the feet, in the form of side weights.

My experience has taught me to coincide with the toe and side weight parties. Before toe and side weights were invented I used many different kinds of shoes, varying in weight from four ounces up to four pounds. And while I found that heavy shoes assisted me in getting some horses to go more square and speed faster than they could with light shoes, I also learned that heavy shoes were more injurious to the horse's feet than light ones. To secure a pound and a half to two pound shoe to the horse's foot requires much larger nails than to secure a twelve to sixteen ounce shoe. Large nails are more likely to split the shell or wall of the foot than small nails; consequently, they are more injurious than small nails.

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self. When after having acquired the art of balancing and walking, he may trot level without the aid of toe or side weights, and only require shoes of sufficient weight to protect his feet from injury.

I will now give my experience with toe-weights, as I have used them on pacers to convert them into trotters. I have converted a number of pacers into trotters. I have used heavy shoes and all the various kinds of cross strap rigs used for that purpose. I have found that toe-weights have assisted me more than all other contrivances that I ever saw, polo and sail tracks thrown in.

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During the year 1872 Mr. Francis Ardary, of Pittsburg, Pa., started a stock farm forty miles out of that city, on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and employed me to take charge of it and train and drive his horses.

During the summer of 1872 Mr. James Hair, of Pittsburg, brought the horse now called Mazo-Mame to that city, and sold him to Mr. F. Ardary. Mr. Hair stated then that he had got the horse near Columbus, O.; that he had never had any training, but had been used on a farm during the spring and part of the summer of 1872 at ploughing and cultivating corn.

Mr. Ardary, after purchasing him, used him some five or six weeks for a road horse, occasionally driving him to Friendship Park, where he had him hitched to a rinky and speeded by a professional driver. He soon showed considerable speed at a pacing gait. At the end of this time Mr. Ardary concluded to send him to his stock farm, where I took him in charge some time during the month of September, 1872. Mr. Ardary desired me to develop his pacing gait, so I at once set about it. I soon found that he was a very speedy pacer, for in a few days after he came into my hands he could turn a new half-mile track in 1:07 and 1:03. But when he had gone a half-mile he would go all to pieces, and want to stop. He did not appear tired, but indicated that he thought that he had gone far enough.

Learning that he had never been speeded but half a mile at a time before coming into my hands (owing to his condition), I was satisfied that was the cause of his trick of stopping.

To be concluded next week.

IMPORTANT TO STALLION OWNERS.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals has just rendered a decision of vast importance to stallion owners and breeders, in the case of Dr. S. Price, Lexington, Ky., vs. Col. R. P. Pepper, of Frankfort, on an appeal from the Franklin Circuit Court. Col. R. P. Pepper bred three mares to Dr. S. Price's stallion Sentinel, one of which failed to prove in foal, and Sentinel died at the close of the season, and suit was brought for the recovery of the season money. The printed terms on which the horse stood were as follows:—"Sentinel will make the coming season at Ash Grove Stud Farm, at \$75 for the season, with the privilege of breeding back next season should the mare not prove with foal." The terms bound the breeder to the payment of the money at the close of the season, which was not done, and the Franklin Circuit Court decided that as the mare was not in foal, and the horse having died, so that the privilege of breeding back could not be obtained, Dr. S. Price should not recover the price (\$75), of the season. The Court of Appeals reversed the decision of the Franklin Circuit Court on the following grounds:

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A BLAST AT SHORT HORNS.

At the New York Mills sale in September, 1873, twelve cows of the Duchess family sold for \$238,650, and one bull of the same blood brought \$12,000. At least, two animals were knocked down by the auctioneer at bids which amounted to \$250,660. The 8th Duchess of Geneva, bid in by the agent of Mr. Davis, of England, for \$40,600 was retained in this country for the reason that said agent, as he claimed, got mixed in his hasty reduction of dollars to pounds, and carried the competition further than his orders warranted. Mr. L. G. Morris took the cow off his hands at \$80,000, and in doing so incurred a gr at loss, since the animal died before a year had rolled around. She was seven years old at the time of sale. Quite a number of the twelve Duchesses so much in demand in September, 1873, are now numbered among the dead. The purchasers of them have not realized as extensively as they expected. Only a few weeks ago we chronicled the death of the 10th Duchess of Geneva, calved in 1867, and for which Lord Bective paid \$85,000. The 4th Duchess of Onada calved in 1872, was purchased at Mr. Campbell's sale by Messrs. Meabben & Bedford, of Paris, Ky., for \$25,000. The heifer was bred and she produced a bull calf and then turned her toes to the sky. As she was so young, her sudden departure from this world was quite unexpected. Mr. Megibben purchased from Mr. Bedford that gentleman's half interest in the calf for \$9,000, and thus became its sole owner. It is alleged that Mr. Bedford insured the breeding quality of the bull. Upon examination, the calf was found to possess but one seed, and upon trial it was proved impotent. Thereupon Mr. Megibben brought suit against Mr. Bedford for damages. The case was tried before Judge Buckner last week, holding court in the county of Bourbon. Eminent counsel was heard on both sides, and excitement ran high. The jury failed to agree, and the end is not yet. The only point which we care to emphasize is the impotency of the bull. The Duchess family is too much inclined to do much toward perpetuating its line. The most conspicuous members of the family have shown in the last four years an alarming lack of vigour and constitution. The 16th Duchess of Airdrie died in giving birth to the 22nd Duchess of Airdrie, about which so much has been said. The 11th Duchess of Airdrie died Feb. 28, 1873, at the age of five, one year after giving birth to the 16th Duchess of Airdrie. What but lack of constitution, produced by incestuous breeding, could have caused this early decay. Truly we have seen the folly of paying extravagant prices for animals too closely inbred.—Turf, Field and Farm.

A HEN LIE

It is charming sometimes to witness the ingenuity of man when he departs from his usual habit of mendacity into the broader realms of unconscionable romance. 'Twas a brother-in-law of a "well-known gentleman" in New Haven who concocted the following: "I dropped a cartridge, one of the small kind, Smith & Wesson make, in the yard of my residence, a while ago. One of my boys picked it up among other edible articles, appearing nowise inconvenienced by its size, weight, or composition. I have always noted that that hen, a Shanghai of the ostrich breed, had a remarkable fondness for bits of metal. Two days elapsed after the occurrence before developments ensued. The hen having a disagreement with the local rooster, turned and ran. Probably the rapid motion engendered a fatal movement, bringing one of the bits of metal in that hen's gizzard against the fulminate end of the shell with force enough to cause an explosion. The hen scattered, while the amazed rooster, brought to a stand-still by such unexpected denouement, sadly shook his crest and moralized on the impropriety of leaving such playthings scattered about." Good day! Gentleman from New Haven, your story is undoubtedly true.

ASTONISHING VITALITY OF A DOG.

About six weeks ago a gentleman who prided himself on having one of the best rabbit dogs in the city went rabbit hunting north of the city. The dog soon struck the trail of

DRESS PARADE DOGS.

It does not follow that a dog which looks well on dress parade will act well in the field. It is desirable, however, to combine good looks with good nose and a disposition which will yield to the trainer's art. There are a great many dogs of fine pedigree in the country which, for practical purposes, are not worth the powder and shot necessary to kill them. We recall the experience of one gentleman, which points a moral, if it does not adorn a tale. Three years ago he had shipped to his shooting box in the Northwest a red and white setter pup, a perfect beauty in form, boasting of a pedigree which comprised some of the most desirable strains in the world. The pup was reared with the greatest care, and he had the benefit of the best of training. But, in a country full of game, he learned nothing. The poorest cur in the land could not have behaved worse in the field. He always over-ran his birds, and put them to flight before the hunter got near him, and as for obeying the word of command, why, you might just as well have shouted at a post. He was untractable, and had no nose. He was an excellent bench show dog. His looks and his breeding would have recommended him to any one who pretends to be a judge of canine points. In November last the red and white setter was doomed. He exhausted the patience of his owner and was ordered to be shot. Two years ago the same gentleman carried to the Northwest with him a brace of Gordons. They were the produce of a famous kennel, and their ancestry was praised as being without a flaw. Their sire as well as their dam had won prizes in bench shows. The dogs were in bred, but that was pronounced the proper thing, they were all the better for it. In the field these Gordons gave rise to the keenest disappointment. They lacked nose and had no constitution. Miles Johnson tried his hand on them, and found he could do nothing with them. At the end of six weeks they were condemned as worthless. Last Fall the gentleman in question made his third experiment. He expressed to his shooting box a brace of lemon and white setters. They were of famous stock, and as handsome in appearance as a dream. Well do we remember the parlor parade at his house on Fifth avenue, before the trainer took charge of them. They were in splendid feather, and their rich coats had been washed, combed and brushed until they looked like satin. A dainty blue ribbon heightened the tone of each silver collar, and cologne water had been sprinkled in the hair. The ladies went into raptures over them, and old sportsmen swore that their equal had never been seen. When tried in the field, these handsome, well-bred dogs acted so badly as to cover their owner with mortification. They were indifferent hunters, and so timid that you could never depend upon them. Drive ten miles out upon the prairie, and then release them from the wagon and motion them forward, and seven times out of eight they would strike a bee-line for home. One of the best trainers in the country tried to break them of their shyness, but he did not succeed. The dogs are now held on probation. They will be given another trial the approaching Summer and Autumn. It would gratify us to be assured that the experience of this gentleman is exceptional. But we doubt it, for the reason that we could name a good many who have sought diligently and found not who have purchased fashionable strains only to meet with the bitterest disappointment. The moral to be drawn is, when you have a good working dog, do not trade him off for an untried one, who has good pedigree and good looks to recommend. Those who breed for the market will have to put their dogs to more thorough tests. Mere bench show winners will not answer. Merit will have to be established by practical work, by trials in the field.—Turf, Field and Farm.

HORSES OF CENTRAL ASIA.

The horses which are native to the Kirghitz Steppes are the hardest breed in the world. They are small in size, with thick, shaggy coats like a Newfoundland dog's. They have a jogging gait ordinarily, and their gallop is not very swift; but their powers of endurance are marvellous. They are never housed in winter, save in Asia that season in Central Asia, nor are they blanket-d during the coldest days or nights. Their thick coats of hair is their only protection against the rigors of wind, snow and piercing cold, even when the mercury drops to 40 degrees below zero. Nor is there any provision made for their sustenance during the months when the ground is covered with snow. They are turned loose on the Stepp when the day's toil is over and left to suit for themselves, which they do by kicking away the snow and feeding on the withered grass and herbs. A great many die of starvation during the winter months; occasionally when the winter is

MILLIONAIRES' PALACES.

For nearly two years past the summit of California street hill has been the scene of building operations on a gigantic scale. The crown of this hill is the skeleton of the railroad as goals for their residences. Mr. D. Colton was the first to build, erecting his house on the northwest corner of California and Taylor streets several years ago. Ireland Stanford the President, and Mark Hopkins the Treasurer of the Central Pacific Railroad Company, purchased conjointly the block surrounded by California, Powell, Pine, and Mason streets, which they began to improve over two years ago. Although Mr. Stanford's residence, at the southwest corner of California and Powell streets, has been intended for some time, it is only very recently that it was completed. Mark Hopkins' house, at the southwest corner of California and Mason streets, is well under way, the roofing being nearly finished. The former Charles Crocker, at the northwest corner of California and Taylor streets, is also a candidate for occupancy. These three buildings are the largest and most costly in the city. Hitherto no reliable estimate of the cost ever been made public, being valued at from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 each. Stanford's residence has, however, cost around \$2,000,000. The total outlay on the residence of Charles Crocker will amount to about \$2,300,000. Mark Hopkins' residence, which is the most elaborate in design, will have cost when finished nearly \$3,000,000. Over \$7,000,000 is thus represented in these three residences. The external appearance of these dwellings gives the spectator but a indifferent idea of the costliness and magnificence of the interior. No expense has been spared anywhere. The bath rooms in the Crocker residence, for instance, have cost \$4,000 each, and there are about half a dozen of them in the building. Even the three-runged step-ladder in Mr. Stanford's library cost over \$150. In all the interior woodwork the most valuable timber, specially imported from South America, has been employed. This has been handsomely carved, and highly polished. All of the finished woodwork (even to the window sashes and frames), in each of the three houses has been made at the railroad workshops at Oakland Point. A large quantity of furniture for the Stanford and Crocker residences has been made at the same establishments. Massive pieces of furniture for the Crocker residence are being manufactured at the railroad workshops. The elaborately carved trunk-work of the handsome conservatory recently built on the Pine-street side of the Stanford mansion was also made at the railroad shops at a cost, in round figures, of \$30,000. The appointments of the various rooms in each of these mansions have been prepared with the same disregard of cost. The architects represent that no estimate was made of the cost of either building when the plans were submitted. The plans were simply accepted and all the details faithfully followed, the best and most expensive material being employed in their execution. San Francisco Bulletin.

THE EFFECT OF BREEDING ON MARES.

We have often been asked what we thought of breeding a filly which has to be trained after raising a colt or two? The instances we have known have proven that it was detrimental to speed. Princess, Lady Palmer and Lucy had each one foal before they were trained, and Flora Bell two, and a small number of Bell's Life in London is the following, from one of the correspondents of that paper. His article is in relation to the breeding of hunters: "It does not hurt a three-year-old filly at all to breed from her. She has a foal at four, and the Autumn of that year she is broken. Some have even bred advantageously from two-year-old fillies, and I suppose a light animal to have a foal, and that it does not hurt her constitution in the slightest degree is proved by the number of mares that have done so and still in the same step-club class with her. I have seen Theokra, by The Emperor, in the same step-club class with her, and I remember seeing an old mare called K gate beat a good field in one of the best contested step-club classes I ever saw, and she had been out of training after running up to two years old; then she had five or six foals, and

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In consideration that the great majority of trotting horse trainers do favor and use toe and side weights, I will proceed to give my views and conclusions in regard to their use, and tell you under what circumstances I have obtained the best results, and allow the heavy shoe party to wear out their prejudices as best they may.

In the first place, I would say that I have seen a number of horses injured by the improper use of toe-weights, but have never seen one injured by their proper use. Consequently, it is very important that the trainer should know how to use them, to insure good results. No trainer can tell how much weight to apply to a horse to obtain the best result until he has experimented with his horse, and learned by practical demonstration.

My experience has caused me to adopt the plan of commencing with a light weight, and to increase it, say at the rate of two ounces, until the desired result is obtained; and when I have got the horse's gait square and thoroughly established, I commence and reduce the weight gradually, and in many cases it may be dispensed with entirely.

A horse commencing to trot is similar to a child learning to walk. Most children have sufficient strength in their feet and legs to walk before they can balance themselves and keep their bodies in an upright position. I have never heard of a child that jumped out of its crib when it arrived at the proper age to walk, and started off without assistance. It is the same with green trotters; they always require more or less support from their drivers.

The toe and side weights are undoubtedly the best supports the trainer and driver can use with the green trotter, until he matures into a level-trotter and acquires confidence in him-

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It is charming sometimes to witness the ingenuity of man when he departs from his usual habit of mendacity into the broader realms of unconscionable romance. 'Twas a brother-in-law of a "well-known gentleman" in New Haven who concocted the following: "I dropped a cartridge, one of the small kind, Smith & Wesson make, in the yard of my residence, a while ago. One of my hens picked it up among other edible articles, appearing nowise inconvenienced by its size, weight, or composition. I have always noted that that hen, a Shanghai of the ostrich breed, had a remarkable fondness for bits of metal. Two days elapsed after the occurrence before developments ensued. The hen having a disagreement with the local rooster, turned and ran. Probably the rapid motion engendered a fatid movement, bringing one of the bits of metal in that hen's gizzard against the fulminate end of the shell with force enough to cause an explosion. The hen scattered, while the amazed rooster, brought to a stand-still by such unexpected denouement, sadly shook his crest and moralized on the impropriety of leaving such playthings scattered about." Good day! Gentleman from New Haven, your story is undoubtedly true.

ASTONISHING VITALITY OF A DOG.

About six weeks ago a gentleman who prided himself on having one of the best rabbit dogs in the city went rabbit hunting north of the city. The dog soon struck the trail of game, and made chase. Contrary to expectation, he failed to return. Search was made for him through the whole neighborhood, but with no success, and the owner of the dog went home with a heavy heart. About three days ago a man passing an old mineral hole heard a noise coming from the bottom of the shaft. A windlass was procured, a man went down, discovered the living skeleton of a dog, which he kindly brought to the surface. It was soon found that the dog belonged to the Dubuque gentleman, and was brought to him. He had lost his good looks and changed so radically in appearance that his master had grave doubts as to his identity, but the dog's recognition of him and evident delight at seeing him again satisfied him that he was his dog. When he fell into the mineral hole he weighed forty-seven pounds; when he was rescued he weighed only twenty pounds. He lost flesh, but gained an appetite, for the first thing he swallowed was a chunk of bread soaked in whisky. He then took a long sleep and was furnished with something more substantial, if not stronger, and is now in a fair way to regain his former sleek look. Neither a fall of seventy feet nor thirty days starvation could kill the dog.—Danbury News.

The Cattaraugus, N. Y., Republican has the following: "A few days since a young Indian woman, daughter of Andrew John, was taken with a severe coughing spell, in the course of which she threw up a black bug, 1 inch long and 5-8ths of an inch wide. The bug is an ugly-looking creature, and how it came in the stomach of the young woman is one of the mysteries. She has experienced unusual sensations in the stomach for some time, but will doubtless feel better now that she is rid of so unwelcome a visitor."

could never depend upon them. Drive ten miles out upon the prairie, and then release them from the wagon and motion them forward, and seven times out of eight they would strike a bee line for home. One of the best trainers in the country tried to break them of their shyness, but he did not succeed. The dogs are now held in probation. They will be given another trial the approaching Summer and Autumn. It would gratify us to be assured that the experience of this gentleman is exceptional. But we doubt it, for the reason that we could name a good many who have sought diligently and found not, who have purchased fashionable strains only to meet with the bitterest disappointment. The moral to be drawn is, when you have a good working dog, do not trade him off for an untried one, who has good pedigree and good looks to recommend. Those who breed for the market will have to put their dogs to more thorough tests. Mere bench show winners will not answer. Merit will have to be established by practical work, by trials in the field.—Turf, Field and Farm.

HORSES OF CENTRAL ASIA.

The horses which are native to the Kirghitz Steppes are the hardest breed in the world. They are small in size, with thick, shaggy coats like a Newfoundland dog's. They have a jogging gait ordinarily, and their gallop is not very swift, but their powers of endurance are marvellous. They are never housed in winter, severe as is that season in Central Asia, nor are they blanketed during the coldest days or nights. Their thick coats of hair is their only protection against the rigors of wind, snow and piercing cold, even when the mercury drops to 40 degrees below zero. Nor is there any provision made for their sustenance during the months when the ground is covered with snow. They are turned loose on the Steppes when the day's toil is over and left to shift for themselves, which they do by kicking away the snow and feeding on the withered grass and herbs. A great many die of starvation during the winter months; occasionally when the winter is very severe, the poor beasts perish by thousands, and a Tartar who is a rich man one week may find himself a beggar the next. Should a thaw occur after a deep snow, followed by a cold snap, the ground becomes covered with an impenetrable coating of ice, when the horses die of starvation.

The Tartar takes no care of his stock, does not take the trouble to water them, leaving them in the winter to assuage their thirst by eating snow. Towards the end of the winter months the ribs of the poor beasts almost come through their hides, but when the snow disappears, and the rich vegetation, which replaces it in the early Spring, comes up, the animals are in flesh and strength and are capable of performing long marches—a hundred mile ride not being at all uncommon in Tartary. It is said that a Kirghiz chief with a Cossack escort once galloped 200 miles in twenty-four hours, the path extending for a considerable distance over a mountainous and rocky district. The animals soon recovered, however, from the effects of the journey, although they were a little lame for a few days. Neither in winter nor summer are these horses shod, except when they are to travel over rocky ground. The hoof is strong enough to need no protection, and a lame or unsound steed is a rarity.

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being manufactured at the workshops. The elaborately carved work of the handsome conservatory recently built on the Pine street side of the Stanford mansion was also made at the carpenter shops at a cost, in round figures, of \$30,000. The appointments of the various rooms in the mansion have been prepared with the same disregard of cost. The architect reports that no estimate was made of the cost of either building when the plans were submitted. The plans were simply accepted and all the details of material being employed in their execution. San Francisco Bulletin.

THE EFFECT OF BREEDING ON MARES.

We have often been asked what we thought of breeding a filly which has to be trained after raising a colt or two? The instances we have known have proven that it was not detrimental to speed. Princess, Lady Palmer and Lucy had each one foal before they were trained, and Flora Belle two, and in a late number of B. L.'s Life in London is the following, from one of the correspondents of that paper. His article is in relation to the breeding of hunters. "It does not hurt a three year-old filly at all to breed from her. She has a foal at four, and the Autumn of that year she is broken. Some have even bred advantageously from two-year olds. I fancy it spreads a lightish animal to have a foal, and that it does not hurt her constitution in the slightest degree is proved by the numerous mares that have done real good things after they have had several foals. I have seen Theora, by The Emperor, run in the same steeple-chase with her son Valentin, who was then five, and I remember seeing an old mare called R. gatebat at a good field in one of the best contested steeple-chases I ever saw; and she had been thrown out of training after running up to four year-old; then she had five or six foals, and was subsequently put to steeple-chasing. I do not believe either that moderate work hurt foaling mares. I have seen them do great performances when tolerably far gone. I saw Noelle, the daughter afterwards of Don Carlos, win the great four-mile race at Paris late in October, after a tremendous struggle, and she foaled early in the following April. It could not have hurt her constitution, for she has produced some good animals, and I believe she is alive now." Some of the very best brood mares have had foals when quite young, and the failure of some of the best performers when put to breeding may have arisen from the lateness of the time they commenced the duties of maternity, although it has been generally ascribed to hard training and severe races they have run.—California Spirit.

Water in which potatoes are boiled possesses a poison fatal to lice. Dip it into a large sponge or wooden cloth and wash the cattle freely, choosing a sunny, warm day for the operation, and as their hides dry, comb them with a currycomb. In this way the animals will soon be rid of the vermin.

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Now, any one one at a conference with the Canadian Turf knows that stock in turf ends has not been very remunerative, and that standing this bonus contributed to their interest. And it is well known that without the facility of outside speculation gentlemen could never afford to run their horses for the miserable purses offered for competition as the rule throughout the country. And with the withdrawal of this extensive contribution, it is not natural to suppose, unless it is supplemented from some other source, our club will have to lower their premiums, and as a consequence it will be impossible to keep the better classes of speed horses in the country. And it is breeding for speed that has developed the horse to his present high standard; and to the speed contests are we indebted for the high commercial value of the animal. Remove the inducements of these contests and we cause a shrinkage in value, and as sure as fate a deterioration in the standard of excellence. That the passage of the Pool Bill will have the effect of cutting down the purses, will be readily admitted on all hands. So much for this portion of the Bill.

But this Bill goes much further and absolutely forbids betting of any kind on any event. A stakeholder is guilty of a misdemeanor, and a gentleman recording a bet is subject to imprisonment. The only liberty it permits is, as the boys would term it, "betting in your mind," which is eminently impracticable for any purpose. Mr. Blake, however, is entitled to the credit of striking a blow at what he apparently considers an evil, and not at any particular system. He takes in the whole range at one sweep. That it will be effective in its present shape, no one professes to believe. The anomalous defence its introducer made when he said "it was the only effect of the Bill to keep the betting and those who had money," is suggestive of an ignorance of the subject under discussion. The tendency of the Bill is certainly to let gentlemen of means and standing speculate, to the prejudice of their poorer but as deserving friends. That Mr. Blake has had unscrupulous counsellors in this question is shown by the statement of that gentleman, that he had been told that \$30,000 passed through the hands of a pool-seller in a certain town, over the result of a recent municipal election. This manifest falsehood was doubtless made to do good duty in the cause of the crusade, and shows to what extent professing reformers will go to attain their object.

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is deemed a fitting punishment for being a stakeholder in a small wager between friends. In the course of a few years, under the influence of this benign movement, it will be quite possible for Canada to become a moral country, but it may be at the expense of some of its better industries, which, however, are considered nothing in the way of fanatical legislation like the Betting and Pool Bill.

FRESH BLOOD.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. E. A. A. Grange, of Canby, returned from the Blue Grass region of Kentucky, bringing home with him a four year old thoroughbred colt. Although not in the best condition, still he shows himself to be quite a fine horse. The colt is named Berlin, a fine bred animal, of good size, foaled in 1873, sired by imported Australian, dam Zephyr by Lexington, 2nd dam, imported Zephyr, by The Cure, 3rd dam, Starlight, by Kremlin, 4th dam, Evening Star, by Touchstone, 5th dam, Berlin, by Rubens, 6th dam, Boadicea, by Alexander. Lexington is by Boston, dam Alice Carnal, by imp. Sarpedon, by Emilius. Australian was by West Australian, dam Emilia by Young Emilius. Berlin was bred by Mr. A. J. Alexander, of the Woodburn Stud Farm, Kentucky, who sold him to Mr. D. Swager, from whom he was purchased by Mr. Grange, for a consideration not made public. He started twice as a two-year-old, both times at Lexington, Ky., his first essay being in the Colt Stake for 2-year-olds, on Sept. 7, 1875, but was beaten by Vagrant, The Nipper, and Creedmore, in a dash of three-quarters of a mile, run in 1:18; his second trial was at the same place on Sept. 10th, in a two-year-old stake, dash of a mile, which was again won by Vagrant, in 1:45. In his three-year-old form we do not find he started, although he was entered in most of the 1 and 2 year-old stakes of the year. Mr. Grange has supplied a want that has been felt for some time in the Wellington stud by the importation of this horse. Berlin is possessed of very fashionable breeding, the cross of Australian on Lexington mares having been attended with very great success.

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Sporting Gossip.

A running meeting is advertised for Cleveland, Ohio, to take place some time early in June. It possesses few attractions for Canadian horses, as they will have to meet there the flower of the Southern stables, with the benefit of ample preparation, which our beauties will be deficient in at that time.

Mr. Wm. Jennings, Louisville, Ky., is reported to have sold to a Canadian gentleman the following thoroughbred stock: Bombardier, br c, 3 years, by Baywood, dam Gonceril; The Drummer, br c, 3 years, by Bayonet, dam Ave Maria, by Lexington; and Nott, br g, 6 years, by Asteroid, dam by imported Australian. This would be quite an addition to our racing stock; but who is the Canadian gentleman?

Mr. Geo. B. Brice, formerly of Ingersoll, has a fine bowling alley in Detroit, underneath the Theatre Comique. It is well patronized, and is a favorite resort for Canadians visiting the City of the Straits.

Mr. D. E. Cameron, Exchange Bank, Parkhill, lately purchased from Mr. Thos. Digaam, of the same place, the trotting pony Little Dexter, to mate his own little fellow Cardinal Richelieu. The team has been sold to a New York gentleman for a good figure.

The Chicago Spirit of the Turf asks if Honest Billy, the green Canadian trotter, is the same as Philadelphia's old Honest Billy. We supply the information when we state the former horse is a native, and has never been in the States.

Tom Allen, the champion buffer, is in Montreal, and makes his headquarters at Billy Carson's Turf Club House. Farrell Bros., of Covington, Ky., would like to see Tom there to adjust some trifling financial matters, amounting to about \$3,000, respecting a bail bond in re the Allen-Goss disturbance.

Mr. W. B. Wells, jr., of Chatham, Ont., has recently imported from Mr. J. S. Skidmore, Nantwich, Eng., a beautiful water spaniel. The canine emigrant arrived per Inman steamer City of Berlin.

Anybody who thinks Goldsmith Maid has lost her speed, will have reason to change their opinion when they learn she beat Rarus, in California, last Saturday, in 2:22, 2:10, 2:18. It was a close race, she winning the first two heats by a length, and the last by a neck only.

The Chicago Field says the Legislature of Illinois is about to follow the example of New York in prohibiting pool-selling. The Field adds, "it will be rather amusing to witness the juraals, now so blatant in their virtuous pretensions, before long receding from their untenable positions."

It is said the prime mover in agitating the passage of the Pool Bill at Ottawa, is a notorious defaulter in the box himself, besides being a squelcher of the worst kind. His advice should certainly be valuable in the matter.

Mr. Alfred Reeves, of this city, has sold in one lot 600 cattle, to Messrs. Samuel, of New York, for shipment to England.

Mr. John D. Chamberlain, formerly proprietor of the race course and club house at Long Branch, has obtained a settlement with his creditors at one cent on the \$. Claims aggregated \$170,000.

The Spirit of the Times last week, in speaking of the Queen's Plate at Prescott in July, says "it will call out the very best horses in Canada." Considering it is for untamed and batten Province bred, our American cousin must entertain a pretty good

Mr. Mark Irish has leased the Rossin House, here.

Owners of stallions for stud purposes should not be slow in sending in their advertisements for insertion in THE SPORTING TIMES. Thousands of readers look upon our columns as a guide in matters pertaining to the horse not valued high enough by his owners to merit an advertisement, is unworthy of their patronage. "A word to the wise is sufficient."

Billy Williams, the colored boy, got into a row at Ottawa, on Saturday night, and stabbed a college youth, named Walter Burns, in the face. It is questionable if Billy will see the Queen's Plate run for this year.

Detroit Spring Races under management of Mr. Geo. W. Voorhis, May 16 to 18.

Mr. Eli Gregory, St. Catherine's, has sold his speedy trotter, Alexander, to Mr. John Riordon, of Merriton. The sale was made on p. t., but it is said \$2,000 was the figure. Alexander is eligible for the 40 class, but can trot low in the twenties. It is not Mr. R.'s intention to track him this year.

Lepine Park, Montreal, will hold its Spring Meeting from June 18 to 20. \$1,000 will be given for racing and trotting.

Mr. Jackson McKee started from Harrietsville, near London, last week with eighteen horses for the English market.

Mr. Simon James, of the Delta, near Hamilton, was serenaded on Friday last by the Orange Band of the Ambitious city. If Simon has as good an ear for music as he has an eye for equine stock, he would appreciate the compliment.

Mr. Sam McLaughlin, the famous American trotting horse driver and trainer, died at Newburg, N. Y. on the 29th ult.

A meeting of the Guelph Turf Club will be held at an early day, to make arrangements for a meeting in July.

The Globe, in its padded-out cablegram of the University Boat Race, said bets were declared off. None of the other reports contained this information. Last week's Clipper decides "unless the race is rowed over the money must be put together and divided equally, that being the rule in case of a dead-heat in boat-racing." The latter paper is by long odds the better authority.

The trotter Geo. H. Mitchell (McKenzie), who will be remembered on the ice at Toronto, a few years ago, is offered for sale. He is now owned in Springfield, Mass., and with a record of 2:31 1/2; it is claimed he can trot close to :20.

By advices from different parts of the country there is every reason to think the SPORTING TIMES Derby Sweep will fill rapidly. Gentlemen desirous of participating should not stand on the order of doing, but do it at once, or they may be left.

We learn from Romco, Mich., that the speedy and game little Canadian trotter Mollie Morris, record 2:22, has passed through the winter in fine form under the care of Mr. R. Armstrong.

Nothing new regarding the Hanlan-Ross, or Hanlan-Scharff boat races. It is about time they were heard from.

Arrangements are in progress for a race meeting at Long Branch, N. J. this season, and the prospect is favorable. It should be the greatest meeting of the year, if pool-selling is abolished at Saratoga and Jerome, of which there is every probability.

An extensive sale of horses and carriages is advertised to take place at Raymer's Livery and Sale Stables, Leslieville, Wednesday, April 18th. For the convenience of persons wishing to attend this sale, busses will leave the Johnson House, Toronto, at 12 o'clock

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But we can certainly say, whatever guise this so-called moral measure may assume, whether in the hypercritical mask of Christian reform or the hypocritical disguise of a benefit to the turf, it will deal a hard blow to the legitimate sport of racing wherever its provisions effect. Statistics are tough opponents. The direct benefits of the pool-box to the turf clubs of Ontario cannot be estimated at less than probably \$5,000 a year.

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Speaking before on the benefit of the pool-box to the Turf Clubs of Ontario, we said it amounted to fully \$5,000 a year. This was a legitimate source of revenue, which will be withdrawn by the operations of this Act, without indemnity, in any shape unless the Government should come to their aid. They have a better precedent for doing this in the action of the Home authorities, than they had for so quickly following the untried example of a neighboring foreign State in forcing the Betting Bill.

Now that Mr. Blake has inaugurated a crusade against questionable speculation by the introduction of Bills to prevent gambling in public conveyances, and extending the provisions of the Moss Gaming Act, as well as his last effort to repress betting and pool-selling, it is hardly likely he will lose sight of the immense amounts of money lost and won, and the untold misery caused by gambling in stock, grain and produce of all kinds on margin or fictitious transactions. More money is lost every week in this manner in Canada than would pass through the hands of a pool-seller in years. Our penitentiaries can furnish ample evidence for the introduction of a bill to prevent such immoral practices, and as Mr. Blake believes in equitable penalties, it is assumed that nothing less than hanging would be a sufficient penalty for stock gambling, when a year's imprisonment

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The bill then passed its second reading.

STALLIONS IN "SPORTING TIMES."

We have this week the announcement of that fine bred trotting stallion BENEDICK, by Almont, dam the thoroughbred mare Susie Spears by imported Fysani. BENEDICK is a very fine looking horse, and is one of the best bred trotting stallions in the country. He was the winner of the 1st prize at the Provincial Fair in Hamilton last year, against a large lot of fine competitors of all ages. Since that time he has improved greatly in appearance, and now would be considered a model by many of our most astute horsemen. It is not necessary to speak of the remarkable success his sire has been in the stud, it is a household word among breeders. While a description of Benedick might give an idea of his appearance, still, a personal inspection would be infinitely more satisfactory, and of greater value to the claims of the horse. It is pleasant to learn that Messrs. Enright are well satisfied with the success of their charge last season, and this year intend to extend the circle of his usefulness. With the Royal George mares, of which there are a great number in the County of Brant, he should make a happy cross from which the best results may be expected.

The annual exhibition of stallions for the Co. of Oxford will be held at Woodstock, on the 18th inst.

has recently imported from Mr. J. S. Skidmore, Nantwich, Eng., a beautiful water spaniel. The canine emigrant arrived per Inman steamer City of Berlin.

Anybody who thinks Goldsmith Maid has lost her speed, will have reason to change their opinion when they learn she beat Rarus, in California, last Saturday, in 2:22, 2:16, 2:18. It was a close race, she winning the first two heats by a length, and the last by a neck only.

The Chicago Field says the Legislature of Illinois is about to follow the example of New York in prohibiting pool selling. The Field adds, "it will be rather amusing to witness the journals, now so blatant in their virtuous pretensions, before long receding from their untenable positions."

It is said the prime mover in agitating the passage of the Pool Bill at Ottawa, is a notorious defaulter in the box himself, besides being a squealer of the worst kind. His advice should certainly be valuable in the matter.

Mr. Alfred Reeves, of this city, has sold in one lot 600 cattle, to Messrs. Samuel, of New York, for shipment to England.

Mr. John D. Chamberlain, formerly proprietor of the race course and club house at Long Branch, has obtained a settlement with his creditors at one cent on the \$. Claims aggregated \$170,000.

The Spirit of the Times last week, in speaking of the Queen's Plate at Prescott in July, says "it will call out the very best horses in Canada." Considering it is for untried and beaten Province bred, our American consin must entertain a pretty good opinion of the efforts of our home breeders, when they can produce horses to beat such fast ones as Vicksburg, Bili Bruce, Inspiration, &c.

Mr. E. L. Norcross, of Manchester, Maine, says he saw toe-weights used at Stanstead, P.Q., in 1859. They were made just as now, but were filled with shot, instead of sheet lead.

Mr. David Tresser, of Markham, is reported to have sold to Mr. R. F. Barry, of St. Louis, Mo., ten imported Shetland ponies for \$1,000. The same gentleman also disposed of the thoroughbred stallion Hymen, bay, foaled in 1866, by Neville, dam Matrimony by Magnes, to F. Elliott, Reach, Ont., for \$3,000, which the Kentucky Live Stock Record thinks was a stiffish price.

"What is Heaven's best gift to man?" asked a young man on Sunday night, smiling sweetly on a pleasant looking clerk. "A horse," replied the young man, with great prudence.

Jonesboro, full brother to Longstreet by Lexington, is making the season in Maryland at \$100, while the latter is doing the same duty for \$15, up north in Ontario. And still some people grumble at high prices here.

Exeter will hold its Spring Meeting on July 2nd and 3rd, and \$1,200 will be hung up. This will clash with Hamilton and Prescott, but the Association claim it as their day, although they would give way if a good circuit could be formed.

tained this information. Last week's Clipper decides "unless the race is rowed over the money must be put together and divided equally, that being the rule in case of a dead-heat in boat-racing." The latter paper is by long odds the better authority.

The trotter Geo. H. Mitchell (McKenzie), who will be remembered on the ice at Toronto, a few years ago, is offered for sale. He is now owned in Springfield, Mass., and with a record of 2:31; it is claimed he can trot close to :20.

By advices from different parts of the country there is every reason to think the SPORTING TIMES Derby Sweep will fill rapidly. Gentlemen desirous of participating should not stand on the order of doing, but do it at once, or they may be left.

We learn from Romeo, Mich., that the speedy and game little Canadian trotter Mollie Morris, record 2:22, has passed through the winter in fine form under the care of Mr. R. Armstrong.

Nothing new regarding the Hanlan-Ross or Hanlan-Scharff boat races. It is about time they were heard from.

Arrangements are in progress for a race meeting at Long Branch, N. J. this season, and the prospect is favorable. It should be the greatest meeting of the year, if pool-selling is abolished at Saratoga and Jerome, of which there is every probability.

An extensive sale of horses and carriages is advertised to take place at Raymer's Livery and Sale Stables, Leslieville, Wednesday, April 18th. For the convenience of persons wishing to attend this sale, busses will leave the Johnson House, Toronto, at 12 o'clock noon, on day of sale.

A PROPOSITION.

OTTAWA, March, 31st, '77.

To the Editor of Sporting Times:

SIR—While the Legislatures in Canada and the State of New York are endeavoring to pass bills for the prevention of pool selling, as being detrimental to the public interests, as well as having the effect of lowering the tone of horse racing, allow me to call your attention to a grievance which exists to a large extent in this country as well as in the United States, and that is the fraud practiced by drivers, in pulling horses to prevent them from winning, and the only recourse the public or owner can have, is to put up another driver. Now it is well known that professional drivers, in nine cases of ten, will not expose each other, not knowing whose turn it may be next, and many owners of horses as well as the general public are victimized by reason of these proceedings.

I would suggest, Sir, that a remedy could be found for this evil by the National Trotting Association, engaging the services of a competent driver, by the season, to attend each meeting, and drive any horse where circumstances warrant a change. Of course he would have to be well paid, but the Association could well afford to pay reasonably for any reforms that would introduce a greater degree of honesty in the driving of fast trotting horses, than unfortunately was exhibited at the Grand Circuit and other meetings last summer.

Yours, etc.,
GEORGE EARLE.

Veterinary.

ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE.

The last of the winter's weekly meetings of the Society in connection with this Institution, took place on Thursday evening, the 29th ult. Mr. J. F. Duncan, V.S., occupied the chair.

Mr. A. R. Stephenson was called on to read his essay on Glanders in the Horse, which he did, dwelling somewhat on the history, pathology, causes and symptoms of this dire disease, which has hitherto, from earliest ages, baffled all treatment, defied all skill, and exhausted all medicines in the pharmacopoeia in unsuccessful experiments to combat it. An interesting debate followed, which was heartily entered into on all sides, plainly showing that, though the last, it was not the least profitable entertainment of this session's gatherings.

Two votes of thanks were passed by the meeting—one to Mr. Stephenson for his admirable essay; the other to the honorary secretary for his services during the season. Thus broke up these very pleasant meetings, the chairman adjourning them *sine die*.

DISTRIBUTION OF DIPLOMAS.

On 29th ult., the distribution of diplomas and prizes to the successful graduates of the year took place in the Montreal Veterinary College, Union Avenue.

The Board of Examiners appointed by the Council of Agriculture consisted of Dr. Tetu, Dr. Leclere, Alex. W. McGill, M.R.C.V.S., Quebec; James Goin, V.S., Edin, New York; Williamson Brydon, V.S., Boston, Mass.; T. A. O. Coleman, V.S., Ottawa; Arch. McCormick, V.S., Beauharnois; Chas. Lovesque, V.S., Berthier, P.Q.; J. A. Couture, V.S., Montreal, and C. J. Alloway, V.S., Montreal.

The results of the examinations are as follows:—

ZOOLOGY—J. W. Dawson, LL.D., Professor; Isaac J. Miles, Charleston, Ill., Chas. Winslow, Rockland, Mass.; H. J. McMartin, Montreal; Alphonse Levesque, Montreal; and D. Lemay, Bord-a-Plouffe, P.Q., all passed. Of the first year students, three of the French and one of the English class were not examined.

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Would beg to say that I was shown a programme of the Ottawa races by Mr. D. Booth, who told me (and doubtless believed it was so), that the Ottawa races were advertised for the two last days of June and Dominion Day. I took it for granted they were and so stated to a meeting of our club held that day, and while no days were decided on at that time for which the "Plate" would be run, the 5th, 6th and 7th were mentioned.

At a subsequent meeting it was found by referring to the Ottawa papers, as well as to your paper, where, if any day had been claimed or advertised we should find it. We found nothing of the kind, and it is certainly too much to expect that we should wait for something that might never occur—and considering ourselves at liberty under these circumstances to select any days not claimed, we immediately decided on "Dominion Day." For my part I cannot see where a wrong has been done Ottawa. I do not yet know that they have decided when their races will be held, nor have I seen any advertisement of same. It is decidedly my opinion this race (for the Queen's Plate) should come off on a Public Holiday, and as the 24th of May, Her Majesty's Birthday, was deemed too early to have it at that time, what day so appropriate as our country's birthday. This "Prize," given by Her Majesty should be intended for, when the largest number of her loyal subjects could have an opportunity to witness it, and surely that would be either the 24th May or Dominion Day, and as the former was not deemed advisable, then Dominion Day was the one.

I can assure you the "Prescott" Club have no desire to clash with "Ottawa" nor any one else, as it will be far better for all parties that we make a little circuit of Ottawa, Prescott and Ogdensburg, they being near together, and between the three places there will be enough money offered in purses to make it an object to owners of horses to visit the three places, as but little more expense will be entailed than attending one.

Ottawa can easily avoid it by commencing their races one day earlier, and then will be able to take part in ours and Ogdensburg.

It strikes me this will be the best plan, and I hope it will be adopted.

Very truly yours,
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Such person is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be liable to be imprisoned in any common gaol for any term less than one year, with or without hard labor, and to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

2. Provided always, that this Act shall not extend to any person by reason of his becoming the custodian or depository of any money, property or valuable thing staked, to be paid to the winner of any lawful race, sport, game, or exercise, or to the owner of any horse engaged in any lawful race.

3. The provisions of the Act thirty-two and

James Sinnitt, of Barton, has been offered, but refused, \$500 for a bay filly by Winfield Scott, coming four. Not so bad for Winfields.

Yours, etc.,
HAMILTON.

**ADVERTISEMENT,
DERBY SWEEPS.**

Among the many popular methods of investing money on the great English event, there is none so extensively patronized, or so universally used as the sweep system. By this means an investor of a small sum stands to win a large amount. The principle of the practice will be readily understood by the following explanation. Let it be assumed that a sweep of \$1,000 is contemplated. A certain number of tickets would be sold at an uniform price, say \$4 each, which would represent 250 tickets. These tickets are numbered separately. Assuming all the tickets are sold at the time of the drawing, which is a short time before the race takes place, numbers corresponding with the tickets sold are put in one wheel, and the names of the horses entered in another. Then a number is drawn out of its wheel, and a slip of paper with the name of the horse out of the other. The horse drawn corresponding with the number of the ticket drawn belongs, as it were, to the purchaser of that ticket, and the drawing is continued in this way until exhausted. The money accruing from the tickets is divided into certain prizes to the horses placed and starting in the race. The holder of the ticket drawing the winning horse would receive the first premium, and so with the second and third horses, while the holders of a ticket which had drawn a horse that came to the post would receive a dividend of the amount devoted for that purpose. Let us say in the sweep above illustrated the winner would receive \$400; 2nd, \$200; 3rd, \$100; then \$350 would remain to be divided among the other starters. Allowing there were twenty three started, then a ticket on a horse that started, if he was not placed, would be worth \$15. A per centage of the prizes is deducted to meet the expenses of the sweep, which is retained by the manager when paying the premiums. In case the total number of tickets are not sold, the drawing goes on all the same, but the premiums are paid *pro rata* in proportion to the number disposed of. All through the English colonies these sweeps are immensely popular, and there is scarcely a city in the empire but has one or more.

Amusements.

Managers, Agents, Doorkeepers, &c., of Amusements, and Managers and Secretaries of Racing Associations, Shooting Clubs, Athletic, Base Ball and Cricket Clubs, &c., &c.,

Are respectfully informed, that all Correspondents of the SPORTING TIMES are supplied with a card of a PURPLE color, with the name of the city or town and correspondent, signed by the proprietors of this paper, with a punch stamp of a horse's head upon the right upper corner, and dated April 1st, 1877, each card running for three months. No person is authorized to use any other credential on our behalf. Managers will save themselves from imposition by demanding an exhibition of said card, and refusing to accept any excuse whatever for its non-production. The card is not transferable; and if it be presented by any person other than the one whose name it bears, managers and others will retain it and mail it to this office.

Persons applying for the position of Correspondent are respectfully requested to consider **SCIENCE A NEGATIVE.**

CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walcot appeared for the first time in Toronto at the Grand Opera House, on Monday evening, in the Spectacular Romantic Drama of Amy Robsart. Mrs. Morrison made commendable efforts in its production in the way of new scenery, dresses, effects, &c. The cast was quite strong, and gave an admirable rendering of the piece. Mrs. Walcot as Amy Robsart was charming and effective, and Mr. Walcot as Dudley, Earl of Leicester, created a very favorable impression. The support by the stock company was above the average. It was continued up to Thursday night to good business. This Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Walcot take their benefit, when the glorious Shakespearean comedy of the Merry Wives of Windsor will be put on the boards. To-morrow matinee, Amy Robsart.

Old bull and his company concertized at the Royal Opera House on Tuesday. The attendance was large, and the performance

LONDON—Miss Sophie Miles and Star Dramatic Co., this Friday and Saturday evening. Miss Miles is a great favorite here, and her return will be heartily welcomed.

GALT—Mr. James Foley, the popular young Canadian lecturer, at Town Hall 6th, in his successful literary effort, The Literary Club.

WINGHAM—An amateur Dramatic Co. has been formed here.

DUNDAS—Three amateur dramatic companies have existence here. The highest toned one has The Lady of Lyons in rehearsal, while the others are satisfied with Ten Nights in a Bar-room, The Mamee Lover, &c. A burlesque company produce One Night in a Bar-room.

DETROIT—The only place of amusement doing a good business is the Theatre Comique, under the management of Warren Boardwell. The house is crowded nightly, and first-class novelties are produced in rapid succession.

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Wednesday, April 18th, 1877

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Conditions—\$100 each, pay or pay, for colts and fillies foaled in 1876, bred and owned in the Dominion of Canada, to be trotted in September, 1879, on a day and track to be named by a majority of the parties entering for such stake; mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness; Dominion Rules. Entries to be made with F. Sington, Esq., St. Catharines, on or before July 1st, 1877, and to be, with name of sire and dam, sex and color of colt or filly entered. \$25 to accompany nomination, balance of money to be paid as follows: \$25 on or before July 1st, 1878, and \$50 on or before July 1st, 1879. If five start the money to be divided in the proportions of 60, 30 and 20 per cent. to first second and third horses; if more than five start, money to be divided in proportions of 10, 30, 20 and 10 per cent.

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Entry Book is now open and will be closed when 500 Entries are received.

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The above sale has been instituted at the instance of a number of foreign buyers who purpose being present to purchase horses for their various markets.

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To Correspondents.

No notice taken of anonymous communications or queries. No answer by mail or telegraph.

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F. T. St. Catherines—Address Hunter Street, 41 King Street west, Toronto, for full particulars.

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FROM OTTAWA

OTTAWA, April 2, '77.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times

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The steeplechase and hurdle Marzian was not expected to live this last day or two, having contracted a bad cold, which settled on his lungs. But, with Dr. Coleman's skillful treatment and nursing I am happy to say he is on the mend. The snow has about all gone, and I hope it won't be long before the ring from the hoofs of the gallopers will be heard coming down the stretch.

Yours, etc.,
CHARLEY.

GOOD PRICES.

HAMILTON, April 2, '77.

To the Editor of Sporting Times.

DEAR SIR—At a sale of the late Andrew Green, of Caistor, a colt by Winfield Scott, coming three, sold for \$815, the purchaser being Mr. Young, of Barton.

Dr Bethune has also sold his colt by the same horse to Mr. Sweeney, of Hamilton, the price being \$250.

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CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walcot appeared for the first time in Toronto at the Grand Opera House, on Monday evening, in the Spectacular Romantic Drama of Amy Robsart. Mrs. Morrison made commendable efforts in its production in the way of new scenery, dresses, effects, &c. The cast was quite strong, and gave an admirable rendering of the piece. Mrs. Walcot as Amy Robsart was charming and effective, and Mr. Walcot as Dudley, Earl of Leicester, created a very favorable impression. The support by the stock company was above the average. It was continued up to Thursday night to good business. This Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Walcot take their benefit, when the glorious Shakespearean comedy of the Merry Wives of Windsor will be put on the boards. To-morrow matinee, Amy Robsart.

Ole Bull and his company concertized at the Royal Opera House on Tuesday. The attendance was large, and the audience were fairly frantic over the playing of the great virtuoso. It is doubtful if there ever was so much enthusiasm exhibited within the walls of the Royal.

Blind Tom made his last appearance for the season at Shaftesbury Hall, on Monday evening last, to an immense audience.

On Monday evening next, the Artillery and Engineers Corps will give an entertaining evening at the Grand Opera House. The military spectacle of The Relief of Lucknow will be produced, in which real cannon, sandbags, etc., will be used. Bayonet and sword exercises, and a review of the troops, will conclude the entertainment, which is for the benefit of the Band fund of the corps.

Prof. Gazzino, the magician, has been tendered a complimentary benefit by his friends, which will take place at the Royal Opera House on April 16.

Mr. French has in process of construction several improvements in the Royal Opera House, the principal of which are a couple of wide staircases, giving ample egress from the upper portions of the house.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL—The pantomime of Robinson Crusoe by the Maffit and Bartholomew Co., at Academy of Music all week—Madame Annette Essipoff, the illustrious pianist, April 8, 5 and 6, assisted by Mlle Palma and Mons. Nivian and Dulcken—Miss Shiff, a well-known dramatic authoress, is at present making a short visit to her friends here.

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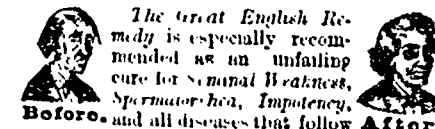
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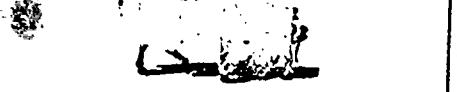


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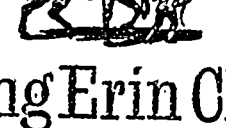
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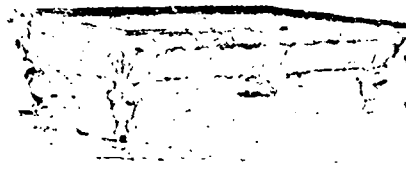
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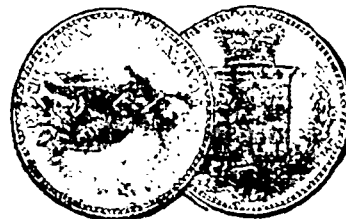


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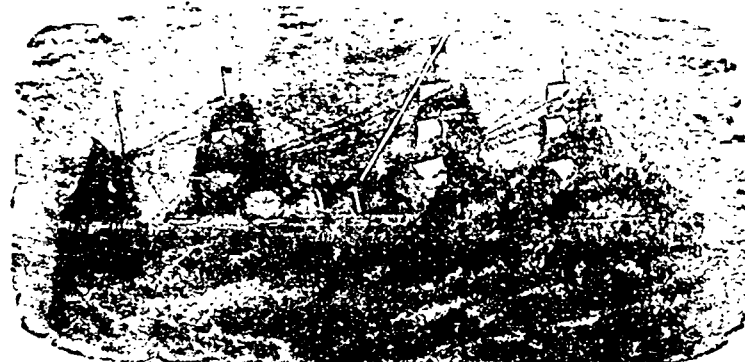
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