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London, April 25 1876.

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In the several events to be decided, the principal of which were the Great Metropolitan Stakes and the Prince of Wales Stakes. The number of distinguished persons was very large. The majority of Americans in London were early on the ground, all particularly anxious to note the performance of the third of his horses that their countryman, Mr. M. H. Sanford, had chosen to introduce to the English public. This was Bay Final, a brother to Peakness, and more particularly was his performance worthy of the closest scrutiny, inasmuch as it was the maiden effort of the stable here in a long distance contest. This feeling was shared by the prominent members of the Jockey Club, and the result in the Metropolitan Stakes was such as to justify the belief that the future of the American representatives is at least far from discouraging. Of fifty-one subscribers, eighteen of whom paid forfeit, seven appeared before the starter.

The start was very fair and the contest was interesting throughout. Bay Final showed to advantage and ran a most creditable race for two miles, at which time he looked a dangerous customer, fighting every inch of the ground with New Holland, the ultimate winner. So earnestly did he battle for the lead that many thought he might prove the victor, but his jockey failed to preserve him as he should have done for the final rally, and when less than a quarter of a mile from home he tired and fell to the rear. New Holland—who was carrying fourteen pounds less than Bay Final—then went on and won the race, Whitebait finishing second and Froeman (the favorite) third. Bay Final passed the post next to the last. After the race scores of good judges boldly expressed the opinion that long distances must certainly suit the American horses, and considered that Peakness' chance for the Ascot Cup is daily growing better.

Just before the start the betting ruled:—2 to 1 against Froeman; 5 to 1 against New Holland; 6 to 1 against Whitebait, and 50 to 1 against Bay Final.

SUMMARY.

The Great Metropolitan Stakes (handicap), of 24 sows, each, 15 sows forfeit and only 5 sows, if declared by February 1, with 200 sows added; the owner of the second horse to receive 50 sows out of the stakes; the winner of a handicap after the publication of the weights (January 27) to carry 5 lbs extra; of any two handicaps, or of the City and Suburban Handicap, 10 lbs extra. About two miles and a quarter, to start from the winning chair. Closed with 51 subscribers, 18 of whom pay 5 sows each.

- Prince Soltykoff's b c New Holland, 4 yrs, by Young Melbourne, out of Bouceaway, 100 lbs. 1
- Captain Stirling's b h Whitebait, 4 yrs, by Brown Bread, out of Laura, by Lupton, 101 lbs. 2
- Mr Heneage's ch h Freeman, aged, by Kettle-drum, out of Haricot, 124 lbs. 3
- Lord St. Vincent's ch h Beau Brommell, 5 yrs, by Marjyas, out of Ede, 104 lbs. 0
- Mr W S Crawford's b c The Flying Scotchman, 4 yrs, by Voltigeur, out of Borealis, 90 lbs. 0
- Mr M H Sanford's b c Bay Final, 4 yrs, by Lexington, out of Bay Leaf (bred in America), 114 lbs. 0
- Mr C Bush's b h Rob Roy, 5 yrs, by Maraconi, out of Necklace, 93 lbs. 0

Next in importance to the Great Metropolitan Stakes was the Prince of Wales' Stakes. This event, for which here were originally sixty-seven subscribers, caused considerable excitement.

THE RACE.

Of the thirty-eight horses that remained after twenty-nine declared forfeit, nine came to the post. Mr Sanford's Bay Final was entered in this stake, but was scratched on the 13th inst.

The Prince of Wales' Stakes (handicap), of 10 sows, each, 5 sows forfeit, with 200 sows added, for three-year-olds and upward; the owner...

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In the year 1865 I had Young Woful in my stable. He belonged to John Minchin, of Goshen, Orange County, and was sired by Woful (he by Long Island Black Hawk, and his dam was by Abdallah. Young Woful was a powerful 16-hand bay horse, and very stylish. John always told me he was a trotter, but "Jersey Bill" and others from Orange County often said the Irishman was crazy. Minchin wanted me to come to Goshen and see the horse, and I went out there one day in August, and we drove to Middletown, double, and put him in a sulky, and I drove him on the old track in 2:41, and repeated him in 2:39, although he was quite fat at the time. I took him to the Fashion Track and worked him some time, and then went to Providence, and trotted him some two and three mile races, winning easily. I then took him back to the Fashion Track and matched him against the chestnut stallion Andy Johnson, three-mile heats, for \$1,000. Hiram Woodruff drove Johnson. I won the race in 8:09. Andy Johnson distanced. November 4, 1865, I trotted him against Peter Voorhies' bay stallion Abdallah Chief and the bay mare Belle of Baltimore. The race was for \$1,000, in harness, five miles out. Abdallah Chief was a bay stallion, 15.3 high, and considered a good five-miler. Belle of Baltimore

and we had a sharp brush to the homestretch. The Chief shook me off, and crossed the score about a length ahead, in 3:46. Going into the fourth mile I went at the Chief again, and at the quarter pole I had got up to his head. We went side by side for half a mile, and had a sharp struggle of it. At the wire, on the fourth mile, in 2:47, we were still together, but I now came away from the Chief, and on the backstretch he broke. At the half-mile pole I was four or five lengths ahead. We stayed that way around the turn, and on the stretch the Chief came for me again fast, and got the score, but I beat him over it and won the race. The time of the last mile was 2:42, and of the five miles, 13:53. I made another match to trot him five miles, for \$2,000, with Abdallah Chief, but Minchin took him home, and it was never trotted. I think Young Woful could have trotted twenty miles in an hour.

I do not remember that I ever lost a long distance race. On the 8th of July, 1865, I had a race against time, which excited some attention. It was rather a novel one, and, I think, was never attempted before or since. I had a big handsome mare, 16½ hands high. She weighed about 1,200 lbs, and was quite a trotter. I called her Mountain Maid, and I matched her, for \$500, to trot a mile over the Fashion track, inside of 4:00, pulling 2,000 lbs. I took an express wagon weighing 500 lbs, and put nine persons inside of it, myself included, which made up the balance required of 1,440 lbs. We started, and, without distracting the mare a particle, she trotted the mile in 3:24, winning easily.

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Base Ball.

A club was organized at Port Burwell on the 20th ult. Mr. O. J. Ryan, president; John Davidson, sec. treas.; S. C. Woodworth, capt.

At a meeting for the reorganization of the Elora club, held on the 26th ult., the greatest enthusiasm prevailed, and the following officers were elected. Jas. Henderson, president; Win. Hela, vice president; A. Smart, W. Hill, T. Godfrey, and P. Lafrance, directors.

The Silver Creeks of Guelph organized on the 28th ult., for the present season, with the following directors: President, George Sleeman; Secretary, J. L. Murphy; Treasurer, John Hower, jr.; Captain, E. Hutcherson. It was decided to join the Canadian Base Ball Association, and the Secretary was instructed to correspond with the clubs of adjacent towns requesting them to join the association.

A meeting was held at Watt's American hotel, Guelph, on Friday evening, for the purpose of forming another amateur base ball club, about thirty well known base-ballists being present. Mr. A. Robertson, jr., occupied the chair, and after a brief discussion it was decided to organize a club under the title of the Guelph Base Ball Club. Messrs. K. Maclean, Brown, W. Jones, R. Miller and W. Husband were a committee appointed to draft constitution and by-laws. The following officers were elected:—K. Maclean, president; A. Robertson, jr., vice president; W. Jones, secretary; G. McIntyre, treasurer; A. Cogalton, W. Husband, W. Sankey, W. Armstrong, Jas. Hower, directors.

At a recent meeting of the Excelsiors, Woodstock, the following officers were elected: President, S. Palling, Vice-President, W. Pascoe, Secretary and Treasurer, H. Whitehead, Directors, J. Whitehead, G. Johnson and J. Gunn.

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Foot Ball.

THE CANADA HARVARD MATCH.

The following gentlemen have been chosen to represent Canada from Montreal, in the match with Harvard University.—Montreal—Messrs. K. E. Wilmet, E. K. Gough, S. Campbell, P. Cross, and H. St. A. Smith. Quebec—Stewart. Toronto—Perram, Young, Helliwell, and Green. Hamilton—H. Hope, Palmer, Hare and A. Murray. Brantford—Ker. The selection from Ontario is a good one, and about the best that could have been made. The backs and half backs are very strong, and as the Harvard play is strongest in that direction it was very right of the committee to attend particularly to getting good backs. The team will leave on Saturday next. The match takes place on Monday, May 6th, at Harvard.

HAMILTON vs. TORONTO.

On Saturday the second trial match for the selection of men to play against Harvard on Monday next, took place between the Toronto and Hamilton clubs on the Crystal Palace Grounds, Hamilton. Unfortunately the old cricket ground, where matches are usually played was too wet, and the ground at the Palace too limited in space to bring out the merits of the players. There was a strong wind blowing from the northwest, and Toronto having won the toss chose the goal at the far end getting both wind and hill in their favor for the first three-quarters of an hour. Owing to the narrowness of the ground, the game was principally a forward one though occasionally some of the backs got opportunities. Hare very narrowly missed a drop at goal. Just before half time Ogilvie, one of the Toronto forwards, sprained his ankle badly in a scrimmage and had to be removed from the ground. At half time ends were changed and Hamilton, with the wind in their favor, pressed their opponents, who were now playing one man short. Murray made some good runs and dropped well. On time being called the game was declared drawn. For Hamilton, McLatou, Wild and Wyward, (forwards), H. Hope (three-quarter back), and Palmer and Leisk (half-backs), and A. Murray and Hare, (backs), played well. For Toronto, Helliwell played brilliantly as a forward, and deservedly got his place in the International team. Perram, as half back, played as usual, Sankey, and Sankey and Young also worked hard. Mr. Lambie, of the Toronto Argonauts, was time keeper, and Mr. G. Main, manager of the Hamilton Football club, was referee. The following are the names of the teams:—H. Hope, captain and three quarter back; Ferris, Murray and Hare, (backs); Palmer and Leisk, (half backs); Wyward, Wyward, Park, J. A. Mackenzie, J. I. Mackenzie, McLaren, Gillespie, Wild and Hocking, (forwards); Toronto:—W. Perram, captain and three-quarter back; H. H. Hout and Shaw (half backs); Young, Gosling and P. Mitchell, (backs); and Boyd, Helliwell, Hare, Kerr, Ogilvie, Bell, Sankey, Donny and Wallace, (forwards).

Billiards.

HAMILTON.

The hall of the Bevere House, Hamilton, was crowded on the night of the 26th, on occasion of a match between J. Phelan and S. Davis, for the championship of the city and \$100 a side. The table used was one of Riley & May's, the three-ball game was played, 500 points up. Before the game of the

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Mr J W Denison's ch c Sweet Thought, 3 yrs, by Parmesan, out of Lucilla, 79 lbs. 0
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Lord Adesbury's ch c Hellenist, 3 yrs, by Toxophilite, out of La Belle Helene, 82 lbs. 0
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THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS.

LONDON, May 3.

The race for the 2,000 guineas took place at Newmarket to-day, and was won by Petrarch, Julius Caesar second, and Kaleidoscope third.

NOMENCLATURE.

SMASHER.—I claim the name of Smasher for my light bay colt, white forehead, foaled May 10th, 1875; by Calogran, dam by Tom Kimble.—W. WRIGHT, Bowmanville.

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(Continued.)

Barr and Hotspur were side by side. I had the pole, and right there Barr broke, and when he broke, Doble, who was driving Hotspur, pulled to take the pole from me. Barr immediately caught his trot, and I struck him sharply with the whip, and yelled to Doble to pull out. Barr trotted so fast that Doble had no chance to take the pole, but pulled Hotspur off a little, and I went right through. We then laid together, and when we got into the homestretch Hotspur made a terrible rattle at me, and I thought he was going to beat me, but I called on Barr, and he trotted out as game as I ever saw a horse. Gold-dust had shut up shop on the backstretch. I won the heat and race, the time of the heat was 2:28½. When we got out Billy Barr stood and hold up his leg, and couldn't put his foot to the ground. I never saw so lame a horse in my life. His courage was so great, that in the excitement of the race he felt no pain. The hot water baths, the bandages, and the other, had helped him, but his gameless carried him through. For what he could do, he was as good a horse as ever trotted. I think if he hadn't been lame that day, he could have trotted in 2:30. When he got up to speed he didn't show the least sign of lameness. This trouble was in one of his forward ankles. It is all sound now, but the other one is big from resting the lame one. It took him a long time to get well. If Billy Barr had been a "daughill," he could never have won that race, and he probably would not have struck a trot. "Blood will tell."

In the year 1865 I had Young Woful in my stable. He belonged to John Muehlin, of Goshen, Orange County, and was sired by Woful (the by Long Island Black Hawk, and his dam was by Abdallah. Young Woful was a powerful 16-hand bay horse, and very stylish. John always told me he was a trotter, but "Jersey Bill" and others from Orange County often said the Irishman was crazy. Muehlin wanted me to come to Goshen and see the horse, and I went out there one day in August, and we drove to Middletown, double, and put him in a sulky, and I drove him on the old track in 2:11, and repeated him in 2:39, although he was quite fat at the time. I took him to the Fashion Track and worked him some time, and then went to Providence and trotted him some two and three mile races, winning easily. I then took him back to the Fashion Track and matched him against the chestnut stallion Andy Johnson, three-mile heats, for \$1,000. Hiram Woodruff drove Johnson. I won the race in 8:09, Andy Johnson distanced. November 4, 1865, I trotted him against Peter Voorhies' bay stallion Abdallah Chief and the bay mare Belle of Baltimore. The race was for \$1,000, in harness, five miles out. Abdallah Chief was a bay stallion, 15.3 high, and considered a good five-miler. Belle of Baltimore was a bottled bay mare, and had trotted a great many races. She was of an ugly disposition, and a kicker. They thought her temper was proof of her being "game." James Ward drove her, and Peter Voorhies Abdallah Chief. The betting was 2 to 1 on the mare; they would bet \$200 to \$100 on her. Woful had the pole, the Chief next, and the mare the outside. She soon took the lead and held it to the half-mile pole; then the Chief went up to her and passed her. I laid behind with Woful, and kept him going easy and well within himself. The Chief kept the lead, and went under the wire, in the first mile, in 2:52, a length ahead of the mare and four or five lengths ahead of me. Then the mare closed up on the Chief, and made him trot fast, being only a neck behind at the quarter pole. In the straight of the backstretch she fell off to her old place. On the Flashing end she went for the Chief again, and they went side by side into the homestretch, and then she quit again, and the Chief went under the wire, on the second mile, ahead, in 2:46. I had let these two have it all to themselves, and kept my horse going easily and evenly three or four lengths behind them. I now sent him along, and left the mare, and when we went into the backstretch on the third mile the Chief was two lengths ahead. At the half-mile pole I got up to his wheel. The mare now quit for good, and was out of the race. On the Flashing end I went up and took the military gentlemen by the head,

quarter pole I had got up to his head. We went side by side for half a mile, and had a sharp struggle of it. At the wire, on the fourth mile, in 2:47, we were still together, but I now came away from the Chief, and on the backstretch he broke. At the half-mile pole I was four or five lengths ahead. We stayed that way around the turn, and on the stretch the Chief came for me again fast, and got the score, but I beat him over it and won the race. The time of the last mile was 2:42, and of the five miles, 13:53. I made another match to trot him five miles, for \$2,000, with Abdallah Chief, but Minchin took him home, and it was never trotted. I think Young Woful could have trotted twenty miles in an hour.

I do not remember that I ever lost a long distance race. On the 3rd of July, 1865, I had a race against time, which excited some attention. It was rather a novel one, and, I think, was never attempted before or since. I had a big handsome mare, 16½ hands high. She weighed about 1,200 lbs, and was quite a trotter. I called her Mountain Maid, and I matched her, for \$500, to trot a mile over the Fashion track, inside of 4:00, pulling 2,000 lbs. I put an express wagon weighing 500 lbs, and took one person inside of it, myself included, which made up the balance required of 1,440 lbs. We started, and, without distressing the mare a particle, she trotted the mile in 3:24½, winning easily.

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Base Ball.

A club was organized at Fort Burwell on the 20th ult. Mr. O. B. Ryan, president; John Davidson, sec-treas.; S. C. Woodworth, capt.

At a meeting for the reorganization of the Elora club, held on the 26th ult., the greatest enthusiasm prevailed, and the following officers were elected: Jas. Henderson, president; Wm. Hela, vice-president; A. Smart, W. Hill, T. Galfrey, and P. Lafrance, directors.

The Silver Creeks of Guelph organized on the 28th ult., for the present season, with the following directors: President, George Sleeman; Secretary, J. L. Murphy; Treasurer, John Hewer, jr.; Captain, E. Hutcherson. It was decided to join the Canadian Base Ball Association, and the Secretary was instructed to correspond with the clubs of adjacent towns requesting them to join the association.

A meeting was held at Watt's American hotel, Guelph, on Friday evening, for the purpose of forming another amateur base ball club, about thirty well known base-ballists being present. Mr. A. Robertson, jr., occupied the chair, and after a brief discussion it was decided to organize a club under the title of the Guelph Base Ball Club. Messrs. K. Maclean, Brown, W. Jones, H. Miller and W. Husband were a committee appointed to draft constitution and by-laws. The following officers were elected:—K. Maclean, president; A. Robertson, jr., vice president; W. Jones, secretary; G. McIntyre, treasurer; A. Cogalton, W. Husband, W. Sweeney, W. Armstrong, Jas. Hewer, directors.

At a recent meeting of the Excelsiors, Woodstock, the following officers were elected: President, S. Paling; Vice-President, W. Pascoe; Secretary and Treasurer, H. Whitehead. Directors, J. Whitehead, G. Johnson and J. Gunn.

Cricket.

At a meeting of the Grand Trunk Cricket Club, Montreal, at Point St. Charles, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—James Stephenson, Hon. President; James Fenwick, President; Robert Patterson, Vice-President; John H. Summershill, Secretary; James Mitchell, Treasurer. Committee—Thomas Itchmond, James Cuthbert, John Laing, Donald Robertson, M. B. Cronshaw.

At a meeting of the London Feltham cricket club, the following officers were elected:—President, O. Weir, Manager B. N. A.; Captain, J. Coy; Treasurer, J. C. McCready; Secretary, G. Marsin; Managing Committee—E. Collett, J. Greig, Wm. Hudson.

The Gall Cricket Club has re-organized for the season, with Lt. Col. Peck, as President; J. G. Dykes, Vice-President; G. P. Simpson, Secretary; and James Young, M. P., Captain. They will probably play Brantford on May 24th.

The 19th annual meeting of the Collingwood club was held last Wednesday evening, 26th ult., and the following gentlemen were elected officers for the season of 1876:—Charles Gamon, President; W. R. Wadsworth, Vice-President; Arthur E. Rendle, Secretary and Treasurer; T. Baines, H. McDonnell, W. D. Fremlin, A. Moberly, and J. H. Burns, Committee.

The following gentlemen have been chosen to represent Canada from Montreal, in the match with Harvard University—Montreal—Messrs K R Wilnot, E K Gough, S Campbell, I. Cross and H St. A Smith, Quebec Stewart Toronto—Perram, Young, Helliwell, and Greenfield Hamilton H. Hope, Palmer, Hare and A. Murray Brantford—Ker. The selection from Ontario is a good one, and about the best that could have been made. The backs and half backs are very strong, and as the Harvard play is strongest in that direction it was very right of the committee to attend particularly to getting good backs. The team will leave on Saturday next. The match takes place on Monday, May 8th, at Harvard.

HAMILTON vs. TORONTO.

On Saturday the second trial match for the selection of men to play against Harvard on Monday next, took place between the Toronto and Hamilton clubs on the Crystal Palace Grounds, Hamilton. Unfortunately the old cricket ground, where matches are usually played was too wet, and the ground at the Palace too limited in space to bring out the merits of the players. There was a strong wind blowing from the northwest, and Toronto having won the toss chose the goal at the far end going both wind and hill in their favor for the first three-quarters of an hour. Owing to the narrowness of the ground, the game was principally a forward one though occasionally some of the backs got opportunities, Hare very narrowly missing a drop at goal. Just before half time Ogilvie, one of the Toronto forwards, sprained his ankle badly in a scrimmage and had to be removed from the ground. At half time ends were changed and Hamilton, with the wind in their favor, pressed their opponents, who were now playing one man short. Murray made some good runs and dropped well. On time being called the game was declared drawn. For Hamilton, McLaren, Wyld and Wynward, (forwards), H. Hope (three-quarter back), and Palmer and Leisk, (half-backs), and A. Murray and Hare, (backs), played well. For Toronto, Helliwell played brilliantly as a forward, and deservedly got his place in the International team. Perram, as half back, played as usual, finely, and Sankey and Young also worked hard. Mr. Lambe, of the Toronto Argonauts, was time keeper, and Mr. G. Mainwaring, of the Hamilton Football club, was referee. The following are the names of the teams:—H. Hope, captain and three quarter back; Ferris, Murray and Hare, (back); Palmer and Leisk, (half backs); Gordon, Wynward, Park, J. A. Mackenzie, J. I. Mackenzie, McLaren, Gillespie, Wyld and Hosking, (forwards). Toronto:—W. Perram, (captain and three-quarter back); Harcourt and Shaw (half backs); Young, Gosling and F. Mitchell, (backs); and Boyd, Helliwell, Shaw, Kerr, Ogilvie, Bell, Sankey, Denny and Wallace, (forwards.)

Billiards.

HAMILTON.

The hall of the Revere House, Hamilton, was crowded on the night of the 26th, on occasion of the match between J. Phelan and S. Davis, for the championship of the city and \$100 a side. The table used was one of Riley & May's, the three-ball game was played, 300 points up. Before the game of the evening commenced, an exhibition game was played between W. Jaker, of Cobourg, and Jos. Capron, of Paris, which resulted in an easy victory for the former. The score stood, Jakes 250; Capron 105; winner's average, 610.40; loser's, 227.89; winner's best run, 46; loser's 12. After this game Messrs. Phelan and Davis commenced operations. This was the most wretched and disappointing game ever played in the city. During the first forty innings neither players scored double figures. From the first, however, Phelan gradually forged ahead, until 200 points were reached, when Davis, by some very brilliant play overhauled him. This was his last effort however, and Phelan playing very steadily won the game by 70 points. The score stood as follows: Phelan 300; Davis 280; winner's average, 1142.168; loser's 177.158. Winner's best run, 15; loser's 12. Immediately after the game Davis announced that he would match Jos Capron against Phelan for \$100 a side. The challenge was accepted. The game most likely will be played at the Royal Hotel about the middle of May.

The last fish story comes from ancient Mantacket, where a fisherman caught a seventy-five pound codfish, which, when opened, was found to contain two ducks.

LONDON, April 26, 1876.

This was the second day of the Epsom spring racing meeting, and great interest was centred

THE BLACK MARE.

A Story of Punchestown Races.

CHAPTER XI.

CORMAC'S TOWN.

(Continued.)

To Blanche Douglas this lady took a fancy, at first sight, reserving her opinion of Mrs. Lushington for future consideration, but feeling her impulsive Irish heart warm to Satanelle's rich low voice, and the saddened smile that came so rarely, but possessed so strange a charm.

"Mrs. Lushington, Miss Douglas, my daughters." The introduction was soon over, the tea poured out, and some half-dozen ladies established round the fire to engage in that small talk which never seems to fail them, and for which the duller sex find smoking so poor a substitute.

It appeared there was a large party staying at the castle. Not that the house was full, nor indeed could it be, since only one hall and two parlors, but there were county neighbors, who came long distances; soldiers, both horse and foot; a "Jackeen" or two, sporting friends of Mr. Macormac; a judicial dignitary, a Roman Catholic bishop, and a cluster of London dandies.

Mrs. Lushington's eyes sparkled, like those of a sportsman who proceeds to beat a turnip field into which the adjoining stubbles have been emptied of their coveys.

"How gay you are, Lady Mary," said she, "on this side of the Channel! I am sure you have much more fun in Ireland than we have in London."

"I think we have," answered her ladyship. "Though my experience of London was only six weeks in my father's time. I liked Paris better, when Macormac took me there, before Louisa was born. But Punchestown, week, Mrs. Lushington, ye'll find Dublin as good as both."

"Sure! I'd like to go to Paris next winter, mamma," exclaimed the second girl, with a smile that lit up eyes and face into sparkling beauty. "Just you and me and Papa, and let the family stay here in the castle, to keep it warm."

"And leave your hunting, Norah," replied her mother. "Indeed, then, I wonder to hear you!"

"Are you fond of hunting?" asked Miss Douglas, edging her chair nearer this kindred pursuit.

"It's the only thing worth living for," answered Miss Norah decidedly. "Dancing's not bad, with a real good partner, if he'll hold you up without swing you at the turns; but, see now, when you're riding your own favorite horse, and him leading the hunt, that's what I call the greatest happiness on earth."

Mrs. Lushington stared.

"Ye're a wild girl, Norah!" said Lady Mary, shaking her handsome head. "But, indeed, it's mostly papa's fault. We've something of the savage left in us still, Miss Douglas, and even these children of mine here can't do without their hunt."

"I can feel for them," answered Satanelle earnestly. "It's the one thing I care for myself. The one thing," she added bitterly, "that doesn't disappoint you and make you hate everything else when it's over!"

"You're too young to speak like that," replied the elder lady kindly. "Too young, and too nice-looking, if you'll excuse me for saying it."

"I don't feel young," replied Miss Douglas simply, "but I am glad you think me nice."

If Lady Mary liked her guest before, she could have hugged her now.

"Ye're very pretty, my dear," she whispered, "and I make no doubt ye're as good as ye're good-looking. But that's no reason why ye should live upon air. The gentlemen are still in the dining-room. It's seldom they come out of that before eleven o'clock; but I've ordered some dinner for ye in the library, and it will be laid by the time ye get your bonnets off. Sure it's good of ye both to come so far, and I'm glad to see ye, that's the truth!"

The visitors, however, persistently declined dinner at half-past ten, p. m., petitioning earnestly that they might be allowed to go to bed, a request in which they were perfectly sincere; for Blanche Douglas was really tired, while Mrs. Lushington had no id of appearing before the claret-drinkers at a disadvantage.

To-morrow she would come down to breakfast rested, fresh, radiant, armed at all points, and confident of victory.

Lady Mary herself conducted them to their chambers, peeping into the dining-room on her way back, to hear about the good run that had kept her husband out so late, and

damp where she had hung her lady's dresses in a row like Bluebeard's wives. The morning looked dull, rain beat against the windows, the clouds were spongy and charged with wet. It was not enlivening to have one's hair brushed by an attendant vexed with a swelled face that constantly attracted her own attention in her ladies' looking-glass.

Miss Douglas, I fear, had no more toleration than other mistresses for shortcomings in an inferior. It she passed these over it was less from the forbearance of good-humor than contempt. The toilette progressed slowly, but was completed at last, and even the maid pronounced it very good. Masses of black hair coiled in thick, shining plaits, plain gold earrings, a broad velvet band tight round the neck, supporting a locket like a warning-pan, a cream-colored dress, trimmed with black braid, pulled in here, puffed out there, and looped up over a stuff petticoat of neutral tint, the whole fabric supported on such a pair of Balmoral boots as Cinderella must have worn when she went out walking, formed a sufficiently fascinating picture. Catching sight of her own handsome figure in a full-length glass, her spirits rose, and Miss Douglas began to think better of her Irish expedition, persuading herself that she had crossed the Channel only to accompany her friend, and not because Daisy was going to ride at Punchestown.

She would have liked to see her, nevertheless, she thought, now in her best looks, before she went down to breakfast, and was actually standing, lost in thought, with her hand on the door, when it was opened from without, and Mrs. Lushington entered, likewise in gorgeous apparel; fresh, smiling, beautiful in the gifts of nature as from the resources of art; to use the words of a "jackeen" who described her later in the day, "glittering in paint and varnish, like a new four-in-hand coach!"

"Who do you think is here, dear?" was her morning salutation; "of all people in the world, under this very roof? Now guess!"

"Prester John? The Archbishop of Canterbury? The great Panjandrum? How should I know?"

"I don't believe you do know. And I don't believe he knows. It will be rather good fun to see you meet."

"Who is it, dear?" (Impatiently.)

"Why, St. Josephs. He came yesterday morning."

Blanche's face fell. "How very provoking!" she muttered; adding, in a louder voice, and with rather a forced laugh, "That man seems to be my fate! Let's go down to breakfast, dear, and get it over!"

CHAPTER XII.

ONE TOO MANY.

At breakfast, for an old soldier, the General showed considerable want of military skill. Miss Douglas, indeed, assumed an admirable position of defence, flanked by Norah Macormac on one side, and the corner of the table on the other; but her admirer, posting himself exactly opposite, never took his eyes off her face, handed her everything he could reach, and made himself foolishly conspicuous in paying her those attentions to which ladies do not object so much as they profess. Like many other players, he lost his head when risking a large stake.

Had he cared less, he would have remembered that wisest of all maxims in dealing with others—"It faut se faire valoir," and she might have appreciated his good qualities all the more, to mark the esteem in which he was held by her own sex. The General could fix a woman's attention, could even excite her interest, when he chose; and many of these laughing dames would have asked no better cavalier for the approaching races than this handsome, war-worn veteran, who "made such a fool of himself about that tall girl with black hair."

Breakfast in a country house is usually a protracted and elastic meal. The "jackeens," whose habits were tolerably active, came down in good time, but the London young gentleman dropped in, one later than another, gorgeously apparelled, cool, composed, hungry, obviously proud of being up and dressed at eleven o'clock, a. m.

Miss Norah whispered to Satanelle that "she didn't like dandies, and dandies didn't like her."

Looking in the girl's bright, handsome face, the latter proposition seemed to Miss Douglas wholly untenable.

"What sort of people do you like, dear?" said she, in answer to the former.

"The army," replied Miss Norah, with great animation. "And the cavalry, ye know—they're beautiful; but a man must have something besides a fine uniform to please me."

"What more can you want?" asked

"Is he an Irishman?" asked Miss Douglas, amused with her animated manner and perfect good faith.

"An Irishman!" exclaimed Norah. "Did ever ye hear of Walters for an Irishman's name? They call him Daisy that know him best, though mamma says I am never to mention him, only as Captain Walters."

The shot was quite unexpected, but Blanche knew the General's eye was on her, and she neither started nor winced. Sarcely even changed countenance, except that she turned a shade paler, and looked sternly in her admirer's face while he carried on the conversation.

"Not Captain Walters yet, Miss Macormac," said the old soldier stiffly. "First for a troop though, and one going immediately. I know him very well, but never heard so flattering an account of him before. What a thing it is to have a charming young lady for a partisan! We think him a good-humored rattle enough, and he can ride, to do him justice, but surely—eh?—there's not much in him. Miss Douglas here sees him often—than I do, what does she say?"

"A pleasant companion, quite as clever as other people, and a right good fellow!" burst out Blanche, her dark eyes flashing defiance. "That's what she says, General! And what's more, she always stands up for her friends, and hates people who abuse them!"

The General, though he opened his mouth, was stricken dumb. Norah Macormac clapped her hands, and Mrs. Lushington, looking calmly down the table, afforded the discomfited soldier a sweet and reassuring smile.

Lady Mary, reviewing her guests from behind a enormous tea-urn, judged the moment had arrived for a general move, and rose accordingly. As, late in the autumn, coveys get up all over the ground when you flush a single bird, so the whole party followed her example, and made for the door, which was opened by St. Josephs, who sought in vain a responsive glance from Miss Douglas while she passed out, with her head up, and a sure sign she was offended, more swung than usual in the skirts of her dress. He consoled himself by resolving that, if the weather cleared, he would ask her to take a walk, and so make friends before luncheon.

Gleams of sunshine sucking up a mist that hung about the hills over the park, disclosing like islands on a lake, clumps of trees, and patches of verdure, in the valley below, glittering on the surface of a wide and shallow river that circled and broke, over its rocky bed, in ripples of molten gold, would have seemed favorable to his project, but that the fine weather which might enable him to walk abroad with his lady-love, was welcomed by his host for the promotion of a hundred schemes of amusement to while away a non-hunting day after the shooting season had closed.

"It's fairing fast enough," exclaimed the cheerful old man. "We call that a bright sky in Ireland, and why not? Anyhow it's a great light to shoot a match at the pigeons; and if ye'd like to get a line in the Dabbie there, I'll engage ye'll raise a ten-pound fish before ye'd say 'Paddy Snap.'"

"I'll go bail ye will!" assented a Mr. Murphy, called by his familiars, "Mick," who made a point of agreeing with his host. "I seen them yesterday afternoon as thick as payse, an' me riding by without so much as a lash-whip in me hand."

Two of the party, confirmed anglers, proposed to start forthwith.

"There's a colt by Lord George I'd like ye to look at, General," continued Macormac, who would have each amuse himself in his own way. "We're training him for the hunt next season, and a finer leaper wasn't bred in Kildare. D'ye see that sunk fence now paring the flower garden from the demesne? It's not two years he was when he broke loose from the paddock, and dashed out over it like a wild deer. There's five-and-twenty feet, bank and ditch, ye can measure it for yourself?"

"Thirty! if there's wan!" assented Mr. Murphy. "An' him flyin over it in his stride, an' niver laid an iron to the sod."

The General, however, declined an inspection of this promising animal, on the plea that he was not much of a walker, and had letters to write.

"The post's gone out this hour and more," said his host. "But ye'd like to ride now. Of course ye would! See, Mick! Sullivan's harriers will be at the kennel as usual. Wait till I tell ye. Why, wouldn't the boys get a fallow deer off the old park, and we'll raise a hunt for ye in less than an hour?"

"I'll engage they can be laid on in twenty minutes from this time," declared Mick. "Say the word, an' I'll run round to the stable, and bid Larry saddle up every beast that can stand."

"The General might ride Whiteboy," said his host, pondering, "and Norah's got her own horse, and I'll try young Orville, and ye shall take the colt yerself, Mick. We'll get a hunt, anyways!"

"Why wouldn't ye?" said he encouragingly. "An' finer pleasure gardens ye'll not see in Ireland than Macormac's. That's for cucumbers, anyhow! An' the ladies will be proud to take a turn with ye, one and all. Devil thank them, then, when they get a convoy to their likin'!"

So the General was allowed to follow his own devices, while his host arranged divers amusements for the other guests according to programme, with the exception of the deer hunt. By the time a fallow buck was secured the hounds had been fed, and, under any circumstances, Larry, the groom, reported so many lame horses in the stable, it would have been impossible to mount one-half of the party in a style befitting the occasion.

St. Josephs walked exultingly into the drawing-room, where he discovered Lady Mary alone, stitching a flannel petticoat for an old woman at the lodge. She thought he wanted the 'Times newspaper, and pointed to it on a writing table.

"Deserted, Lady Mary?" said this crafty hunter of dames, "even by your nearest and dearest. Left, like a good fairy, doing a work of benevolence in solitude."

"Is it the—the skirt you mean?" replied her ladyship, holding up the garm in question without the slightest diffidence. "Sure, then, I'll get it hemmed and done with this afternoon. I'd have asked Norah to help me,—the child was always quick at her needle,—but she's off to show Miss Douglas the waterfall; those two by themselves. It's as much as they'll do to be back by luncheon; though my girl's a jewel of a walker, and the other's as straight as an arrow, and as graceful as a deer."

The General's letters became all at once of vital importance. Excusing himself with extreme politeness to Lady Mary, who kept working on at the petticoat, he hastened to the library, where he did not stay two minutes, but, gliding by a side door into the hall, got his hat, and emerged on the park, with a vague hope of finding some one who would direct him to the waterfall.

The two young ladies, meanwhile, were a good Irish mile from the castle, in an opposite direction. Norah, of course, knew a short cut through the woods, that added about a third to the distance. They walked a good pace, and exhilarated by the air, the scenery, and the sound of their own fresh young voices, skipped along the path, talking, laughing, even jeering each other, as though they had been friends from childhood.

Their conversation, as was natural, turned on the approaching races. To Norah Macormac, Punchestown constituted, perhaps, the chief goal of the year. For those two days, alas! so often rainy, she reserved her freshest gloves, her newest bonnet, her brightest glances and smiles. To the pleasure everybody experiences in witnessing the performances of a good horse, she added the feminine enjoyment of showing her own pretty self in all her native attractions, set off by dress. It was no wonder she should impart to her companion that she wouldn't give up the races even for a trip to Paris. She calculated their delights as equal to a whole month's hunting, and at least twenty balls.

Miss Douglas, too, anticipated no little excitement from the same source. Her trip across the Channel, with its concomitant discipline, a new country, wild scenery, the good humor and cordiality that surrounded her, above all, the prospect of seeing Daisy again, had raised her spirits far above their usual pitch. Her cheek glowed, her eye sparkled, her tongue ran on. She could hardly believe herself the same reserved and haughty dame who was wont to ride from Prince's Gate to Hyde Park Corner, and find nothing worthy to cost her a sigh, or win from her a smile.

"Everybody in Ireland goes there, ab sentees and all," said laughing Norah. "It's such fun, you can't think, with the different turn-outs, from the Lord Lieutenant's half-dozen carriages-and-four to Mr. Murphy's outside car, with Mrs. Murphy and nine children packed all over it. She never goes anywhere else with him; but you shall see her to-morrow in all her glory. We like to be on the course early, it's so amusing to watch the arrivals, and then we get good places on the Stand."

"Can you see well from the Ladies' Stand?" asked Blanche eagerly. "I'm rather interested in one of the races. You'll think me very sporting. I've not exactly got a horse to run, but there's a mare called Satanelle going to start, and I confess I want to see her win."

Norah bounded like a young roe. "Satanelle!" she repeated. "Why, that's Daisy's mount! Is it to win, dear? Oh! then, if she doesn't win, or come very near it, I'll be fit to cry my eyes out, and never ask to go to a race again."

Her color rose, her voice deepened, both gait and accent denoted the sincerity of her good wishes; and Miss Douglas, without quite admitting she had just cause for offence, felt as a dog feels when another dog is sniffing round his dinner.

"I've no doubt the mare will have justice

over the country-side, him and me, the same as if we'd a fox and a pack of hounds before us. It's him that taught me the real right way to hold the bridle, and I never could manage papa's Orville horse till he showed me how. It's not likely I'd forget anything Daisy told me! Here we are at the waterfall. Come off the rock now, or ye'll not have a dry thread on ye in five minutes!"

Miss Douglas, keeping back a good deal of vexation, had the good sense to follow her guide's advice, and leaped lightly down amongst the shingle from a broad flat rock to which she had sprung, as affording a view of the cascade.

It was a fine sight, no doubt. Swelled by the spring rains, and increased by many little tributaries from the neighboring hills, a considerable volume of water came tumbling over a ledge of bold bare rock, to roar and brawl and circle round a basin fifty feet below, not less than ten feet deep, from which it escaped in sheets of foam over certain shallows, till it was lost in a black narrow gorge, crowned by copses already budding and blooming with the first smiles of spring.

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It was getting unbearable! Blanche had started in such good spirits, full of life and hope, enjoying the air, the scenery, the exercise; but with every word that fell from her companion's lips the landscape faded, the skies turned grey, the very turf beneath her feet seemed to have lost its elasticity. Norah Macormac could not but perceive the change; attributing it, however, to fatigue, and blaming herself severely for thus tempting a helpless London girl into an expedition beyond her strength,—anticipating, at the same time, her mother's displeasure for that which good Lady Mary would consider a breach of the laws of hospitality,—"Sure ye're tired," said she, offering to carry the other's parasol, which might have weighed a pound. "It's myself I blame, to have brought you such a walk as this, and you not used to it, may be, like us that live up here amongst the hills."

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"Sure! I'd like to go to Paris next winter, mamma," exclaimed the second girl, with a smile that lit up eyes and face into sparkling beauty. "Just you and me and Papa, and let the family stay here in the castle, to keep it warm."

"And have your hunting, Norah," replied her mother. "Indeed, then, I wonder to hear you!"

"Are you fond of hunting?" asked Miss Douglas, edging her chair nearer this kindred part.

"It's the only thing worth living for," answered Miss Norah decidedly. "Dancing's not bad, with a real good partner, if he'll hold you up without swing you at the turns; but, see now, when you're riding your own favorite horse, and him leading the hunt, that's what I call the greatest happiness on earth."

Mrs. Lushington stared. "Ye're a wild girl, Norah!" said Lady Mary, shaking her handsome head. "But, indeed, it's mostly papa's fault. We're something of the savage left in us still, Miss Douglas, and even these children of mine here can't do without their hunt."

"I can feel for them," answered Satanella earnestly. "It's the one thing I care for myself. The one thing," she added bitterly, "that doesn't disappoint you and make you hate everything else when it's over!"

"You're too young to speak like that," replied the elder lady kindly. "Too young, and too nice-looking, if you'll excuse me for saying it."

"I don't feel young," replied Miss Douglas simply, "but I am glad you think me nice."

If Lady Mary liked her guest before, she could have hugged her now.

"Ye're very pretty, my dear," she whispered, "and I make no doubt ye're as good as ye're good-looking. But that's no reason why ye should live upon air. The gentlemen are still in the dining-room. It's seldom they come out of that before eleven o'clock; but I've ordered some dinner for ye in the library, and it will be laid by the time ye get your bonnets off. Sure it's good of ye both to come so far, and I'm glad to see ye, that's the truth!"

The visitors, however, persistently declined dinner at half-past ten, p. m., petitioning earnestly that they might be allowed to go to bed, a request in which they were perfectly sincere; for Blanche Douglas was really tired, while Mrs. Lushington had no id of appearing before the charet-drinkers at a disadvantage.

To-morrow she would come down to breakfast rested, fresh, radiant, armed at all points, and confident of victory.

Lady Mary herself conducted them to their chambers, peeping into the dining-room on her way back, to hear about the good run that had kept her husband out so late, and to see that he had what he liked for dinner at a side-table. Her appearance brought all the gentlemen to their feet with a shout of welcome. Her departure filled (and emptied) every glass to her health.

"Not another drop after Lady Mary," was the universal acclamation, when Macormac proposed a fresh magnum; and although he suggested drinking the same toast again, a general move was at once made to the music-room, where most of the ladies had congregated with tact and kindness, that their presence might not add to the discomfort of the strangers, arriving late for dinner to join a large party at a country house.

With Satanella's dreams we have nothing to do. Prospero seldom affords us the vision we most desire during the hours of sleep. Think of your sweetheart, and as likely as not you will dream of your doctor. Miss Norah helped her new friend to undress, and kissed while she bade her good night; but with no more came her own maid, looking very cross (the servants' accommodation at Punchestown was hardly on a par with the accommodations of the mansion), complaining first of the fire from sleeping in a draught, and, secondly, with a certain tone of triumph, that the closet was a Jackoon—a small squire of great pretensions.

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"Prester John? The Archbishop of Canterbury? The great Panjandrum? How should I know?"

"I don't believe you do know. And I don't believe he knows. It will be rather good fun to see you meet."

"Who is it, dear?" (Impatiently.)

"Why, St. Joseph. He came yesterday morning."

Blanche's face fell.

"How very provoking!" she muttered; adding, in a louder voice, and with rather a forced laugh, "That man seems to be my fate! Let's go down to breakfast, dear, and get it over!"

CHAPTER XII.

ONE TOO MANY.

At breakfast, for an old soldier, the General showed considerable want of military skill. Miss Douglas, indeed, assumed an admirable position of defence, flanked by Norah Macormac on one side, and the corner of the table on the other; but her admirer, posting himself exactly opposite, never took his eyes off her face, handed her everything he could reach, and made himself foolishly conspicuous in paying her those attentions to which ladies do not object so much as they profess. Like many other players, he lost his head when risking a large stake.

Had he cared less, he would have remembered that wisest of all maxims in dealing with others—"Il faut se faire valoir," and she might have appreciated his good qualities all the more, to mark the esteem in which he was held by her own sex. The General could fix a woman's attention, could even excite her interest, when he chose; and many of these laughing dames would have asked no better cavalier for the approaching races than this handsome, war-worn veteran, who "made such a fool of himself about that tall girl with black hair."

Breakfast in a country house is usually a protracted and elastic meal. The "jackeens," whose habits were tolerably active, came down in good time, but the London young gentlemen dropped in, one later than another, gorgeously apparessed, cool, composed, hungry, obviously proud of being up and dressed at eleven o'clock, a. m.

Miss Norah whispered to Satanella that "she didn't like dandies, and dandies didn't like her."

Looking in the girl's bright, handsome face, the latter proposition seemed to Miss Douglas wholly untenable.

"What sort of people do you like, dear?" said she, in answer to the former.

"The army," replied Miss Norah, with great animation. "And the cavalry, ye know—they're beautiful; but a man must have something besides a fine uniform to please me."

"What more can you want?" asked Blanche, with a smile.

"Well, a good seat on his horse, now," laughed the other, "that's the first thing, surely, and a good temper, and a good nerve, and a pleasant smile in his face, when everything goes wrong."

"You're thinking of somebody in particular," said Blanche.

"I am," answered Miss Norah boldly, though with a rising blush. "I'm thinking of somebody I should wish my brothers to be like—that I should wish to be like myself. He's never puzzled; he's never put out. Let the worst happen that will, he knows to do, and how to do it,—a fair face, a brave spirit, and a kind heart!"

She raised her voice, for the subject seemed to interest her deeply. Some of the guests looked up from their breakfasts, and the General listened with a smile.

"It sounds charming," remarked Miss Douglas. "A hero—a paladin, and a very nice person into the bargain. I should like immensely to see him."

"Would ye now?" said the Irish girl. "And so ye shall, dear. He'll be at the races to-morrow. Ye'll see him ride. I'll engage he'll come to the Ladies' Stand. Say the word, and I'll introduce him to ye myself."

was a responsive glance from Miss Douglas while she passed out, with her head up, and a sure sign she was offended, more swing than usual in the skirts of her dress. He consoled himself by resolving that, if the weather cleared, he would ask her to take a walk, and so make friends before luncheon.

Gleams of sunshine sucking up a mist that hung about the hills over the park, disclosing like islands on a lake, clumps of trees, and patches of verdure, in the valley below, glittering on the surface of a wide and shallow river that circled and broke, over its rocky bed, in ripples of molten gold, would have seemed favorable to his project, but that the fine weather which might enable him to walk abroad with his lady-love, was welcomed by his host for the promotion of a hundred schemes of amusement to while away a non-hunting day after the shooting season had closed.

"It's fairing fast enough," exclaimed the cheerful old man. "We call that a bright sky in Ireland, and why not? Annyhow it's a great light to shoot a match at the pigeons; and if ye'd like to w t a line in the Dabbie there, I'll engage ye'll raise a ten-pound fish before ye'd say 'Paddy Snap.'"

"I'll go bail ye will!" assented a Mr. Murphy, called by his familiars, "Mick," who made a point of agreeing with his host. "I seen them yesterday afternoon as thick as payso, an' me riding by without so much as a lash-whip in me hand."

Two of the party, confirmed anglers, proposed to start forthwith.

"There's a colt by Lord George I'd like ye to look at, General," continued Macormac, who would have each amuse himself in his own way. "We're training him for the hunt next season, and a finer leaper wasn't bred in Kildare. D'ye see that suok fence now parting the flower garden from the demesne? It's not two years he was when he broke loose from the paddock, and dashed out over it like a wild deer. There's five-and-twenty feet, bank and ditch, ye can measure it for yourself?"

"Thirty! if there's wan!" assented Mr. Murphy. "An' him flyin over it in his stride, an' niver laid an iron to the sod."

The General, however, declined an inspection of this promising animal, on the plea that he was not much of a walker, and had letters to write.

"The post's gone out this hour and more," said his host. "But ye'd like to ride now. Of course ye would! Ser, Mick! Sullivan's harriers will be at the kennel as usual. Wait till I tell ye. Why, wouldn't the boys get a fallow deer off the old park, and we'll raise a hunt for ye in less than an hour?"

"I'll engage they can be laid on in twenty minutes from this time," declared Mick. "Say the word, an' I'll run round to the stable, and bid Larry saddle up every beast that can stand."

"The General might ride Whiteboy," said his host, pondering, "and Norah's got her own horse, and I'll try young Orville, and ye shall take the colt yerself, Mick. We'll get a hunt, annyways!"

Mr. Murphy looked as if he would have preferred an elder, or as he termed it, "a more accomplished hunter;" but he never dreamed of disputing the master's word, and was leaving the room in haste to further all necessary arrangements, when St. Josephs stopped him on the threshold.

"You'll think me very slow," said he graciously. "But the truth is, I'm getting old and rheumatic, and altogether I feel hardly fit for the saddle to-day. Don't let me interfere with anybody's arrangements. I'll write my letters in the library, and then, perhaps take a turn in the garden with the ladies."

Mick screwed up his droll Irish mouth into a meaning but inaudible whistle. Satisfied by the courtesy of his manner that the General was what he called "a real gentleman," it seemed impossible such a man could resist the temptations of a pigeon match, a salmon river, above all, an impromptu hunt, unless he had nobler game in view. Till the old soldier talked of "a turn in the garden with the ladies," Mr. Murphy himself he was "bothered entirely," but now, failing any signs of disapproval on the master's face, felt he could agree, as was his custom, with the last speaker.

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"Can you see well from the Ladies' Stand?" asked Blanche eagerly. "I'm rather interested in one of the races. You'll think me very sporting. I've not exactly got a horse to run, but there's a mare called Satanella going to start, and I confess I want to see her win."

Norah bounded like a young roe. "Satanella!" she repeated. "Why, that's Daisy's mount! Is it to win, dear? Oh! then, if she doesn't win, or come very near it, I'll be fit to cry my eyes out, and never ask to go to a race again."

Her color rose, her voice deepened, both gait and accent denoted the sincerity of her good wishes; and Miss Douglas, without quite admitting she had just cause for offence, felt as a dog feels when another dog is snuffing round his dinner.

"I've no doubt the mare will have justice done to her," she said severely. "He's a beautiful rider."

"A beautiful rider, and a beautiful mare entirely!" exclaimed her impulsive companion. "Now to think he should be a friend of yours, and me never to know it! I can't always make him out," added Miss Norah pondering. "Sometimes he'll speak up, and sometimes he'll keep things back. You'll wonder to hear me when I tell you I haven't so much as seen this mare they make such a talk about!"

"I have ridden her repeatedly," observed Miss Douglas, with a considerable accession of dignity. "In fact, she is more mine than his, and I had to give him leave before he ever sent her to be trained."

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"There's been good beasts bred in Roscommon beside your black mare, Denis," observed this worthy; "and it's the pick of the world for horses comes into Kildare this very day. Whisper now. Old Sir Giles offered four hundred pounds, ready money for Shaneen in Dublin last night. I seen him meself."

"Is it Shaneen?" returned Denis, with another pull at the punch. "I'll not deny he's a nate little horse, and an illegit lepper, but he wouldn't be in such a race as this. He'll niver see it wan, Mr. Sullivan, no more nor a Quaker'll never see glory! Mat should have taken the four hundred!"

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Lacrosse.

THE CANADIAN TEAM.

The teams left Portland on the 29th ult., by steamer Moravian, land at Derry, play in Belfast on the 11th and 12th of May, in Dublin on 13th and 15th, probably in Limerick on the 17th. The Duke of Abercorn, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has kindly accorded his patronage and promised to be present at the games in Dublin. On the 19th and 20th the teams play in Glasgow, as well against each other as against the Caledonian Club of that city. The following week they play in Greenock and Edinburgh, leave Scotland for Newcastle the 25th, York on the 27th, arriving in London Sunday morning the 28th, in time to play at the Oval or Lords on Queen's Birthday (29th) and 30th. The 31st the team will go to the Derby. As one of the team expressed the other day, "We must go to the Derby if we're within 300 miles of it! It would be a sacrifice to miss it. Now most likely they'll be there. After playing before Royalty on different grounds in and about London, the teams will visit Bristol, Brighton, Birmingham, Sheffield, and Liverpool. They play also in Paris before returning home. It is expected that the trip will last about two months.

The names, positions, etc., of the gentlemen players are: Dr. M. G. Beers, Captain—President of the Montreal Lacrosse Club, and for years Secretary of the National Association; author of several works on the game; in fact, the father of the game among whites; played "goal" for years on the Montreal Champion Twelve, to be change goalkeeper; winner of many single-scull races, very fast sprinter; has record of 93s. for 100 yards, beating, among others, Frank Johnson, at ladies benevolent picnic, Victoria Gardens, in 1866; was the chief promoter of the present enterprise.

W. H. Beckett, "Goal"—Has been goalkeeper of the Montreal since 1869; considered the best in his position in Canada; a good thrower, very fast; one of the best hurdlers in Montreal; won a great many prizes over timber, both on snowshoes and on foot; almost unequalled for 60 yards, and a very successful jumper.

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D. E. Bowie, "First Defence Field"—Sure, quick player, hard worker, fast runner; has played on the Montreal First Twelve since 1870; has a good reputation as a pedestrian; has won in different parts of America, at all distances, on snowshoes and on foot; a fair hurdler and good leaper; winner of the Bennett Cup, at Springfield, Mass., in 1873.

S. Massey, "Field"—Very fast, strong player; very long thrower, very scientific; the beau ideal of a lacrosse player, and considered the best in Canada; winner of a great many races on shoes and on foot; goes well over hurdles; favorite distance from 100 yards to a quarter.

R. Summerhayes, "Field"—Good thrower and good catch; fast runner; is one of the best sprinters now running in Canada.

S. Struthers, "Centre"—The coolest of players, a splendid dodger, straight thrower, and perfect catch; never misses the most difficult "fly"; very cool and scientific; can dodge any number of players, when, where, and as often as he pleases; probably a little too cool in his play. No doubt saved the game to the Montreal in the fifth and deciding game of the last great match between Toronto and Montreal by his inimitable catches of difficult flies.

Thomas G. Ralston, "Field" (of St. Johns, New Brunswick) played for years with the Montreal; one of the most scientific players; very fast; was the "pet" of the Montreal crowd, always "bringing down the house" by his dashing play; for years held the championship of Canada for a quarter mile.

Angus Grant, "Field"—Strong, heavy player; formerly played "home" for the old Montreal twelve; hard worker, sure catch, and very straight thrower. Late President of club, and President of Montreal Snowshoe club.

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Thomas E. Hodgson, "Second Home"—Another of the "gamey Victorias," contributed greatly to the success of the Montreal last season by his endurance, straight throwing and sure catching, his quick pickups and "tips" into the flags being something remarkable; very fast, good runner at all distances; will develop into a magnificent player.

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TEACHING THE STEEPLECHASER.

Early practice over the bar, as well as small fences, etc., is of great use to the steeplechaser, and without it most horses are a long time before they can keep their legs in a steeplechase. If, therefore, a colt bred to a hunter is supposed to be good enough for this purpose, he should be at once put to jump small obstacles while his breaking is being completed; but there are very few horses which will do more than clear comparatively small places in cold blood, and the stimulus of competition, especially with hounds, must be employed. Water-jumping is particularly disliked by most horses, and it should never be pressed, except with a good and sure leader; a refusal is never desirable, as the horse, finding out his power, is apt to repeat it in spite of the whip and spur. Whenever it is possible, the usual plan of riding young horses with hounds quietly, and by a good breaker, is the mode to be adopted; and generally a whole season must be employed in making them handy enough to commence a drill over the country, at the pace and in the style suitable for steeplechases. In most of our steeplechase courses there is a water-jump, often of no real difficulty, in consequence of the sloping nature of the landing side, but still of an apparent width sufficient to deter a horse from attempting it, unless he has been accustomed to water. A country should therefore be selected which is intersected by small brooks; and in fact every variety of fence, from the post-and-rail to the bullfinch, should be encountered at a time when the blood is up from the presence of a large field of horses. The essential requisite is a good rider, who will neither distress the colt nor allow him to refuse what he can easily accomplish; hence, he must be a good judge of condition and pace, for nothing disgusts a young horse more than to ride him at big places when he is tired. It often happens that the colt-breaker is fond of the sport, and is inclined to persevere over a distance and at a pace which old and seasoned horses only are fit to encounter; and to guard against this, the owner of the colt should always be ready to sacrifice his own place in the run, if he has the future success of his colt at heart. If he will not do this, he can scarcely expect the rider of his colt to do so; and the more exciting the run, the more he should be ready to forego it, knowing that the same temptation which makes it difficult for him to resist, will operate in a like manner upon his breaker, if he is not prevented by the presence of his master. In this way I have known many colts injured, both in temper and in constitution. A hard run with hounds requires much more condition than a race, in order to avoid any ill consequences; and yet the colt is often expected by his breaker to carry him through it, at all events as far as he can raise a gallop. For these reasons the plan of allowing the breaker to ride colts with hounds is not unattended with objections; but if a steady man can be found who, while he has the power of riding forward, has also the discretion to know when to stop, it is much the best mode of teaching the steeplechaser. A little practice over a dozen fences, two or three times a week, with hounds, pulling up at the end of the first two or three miles, and not going too fast over that distance, is what is wanted: and when that course is pursued the colt leaves off each time with an appetite for more, and becomes fonder every day of the amusement. The kind of feeling which should be encouraged is that displayed when the horse is always keenly looking out for a fence to vault over, and the moment he has the opportunity will indulge his taste, taking the bit in his mouth, and going at his fence as fast as he is allowed. When this state of things is produced in the colt, and he is well practised at every variety of fence at a quiet pace, he may be ridden faster at them, and he will then gradually learn to measure his distance, and to take off so as to avoid over-jumping himself on the one hand, or falling by too slight an effort on the other. Much of this kind of practice may be carried out without hounds, for as soon as the habit of jumping everything as it comes is inculcated by example, the necessity for their presence is no longer felt, and any enclosed land with suitable fences, not too large, will answer the purpose. 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A PLUCKY EAGLE.

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Thus rules the festive gambolaire
Never bet on a single pair,
For three of a kind will beat y us
Or even a straight will lead that are
But if a full your hand shall bear,
Your chance to win may be rock-me-lf.
That is, if your three are away up the
Kings may do, but by ace swear.
Though four of a kind may make y
Or a royal dash in the four hand
Therefore, draw, be ye, draw with ear
And shut y ear card with a careless
That when at last to call y dar,
You may "rake the pile" of the gay
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About New Year a collie dog belonging to Mr. Maurice Nagle, 3rd line Bathurst, went missing, and it was thought the animal had either been stolen or made way with in some way or another. Thirty five days after, however, removing a straw stack in the yard, the missing dog, alive, but reduced to a bundle of bones, was found beneath it, so weak that it had to be carried away. By a little care, however, the dog fully recovered its previous health, and is now as lively as ever. The excessive vitality of the poor animal is well shown by the fact of its having been deprived of food, water, and free air for the long period of thirty-five days.

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A pious father entered a saloon with a horse-whip one night last week, and found his son playing cards. He tanned the young man's jacket and sent him home and then sat down and finished the game himself.

A Clydesdale stallion weighing a ton and according to the Portland Press, the largest horse ever imported, was brought over from England in the Moravian by Mr. John T. South. It is the property of a company.

A blacksmith in the employ of Mr. A. Padfield, of Prospect Hill, hounded a wagon with a spring seat, in fourteen hours, and did it in a satisfactory manner. Ordinary hounds take two days to do the same work.

The Pictou Gazette says—"A few days ago Mr. Lewis Hudgins, of Salmon Point, while crossing a field, discovered a flock of wild geese quietly feeding on the ground. His dog completely took them by surprise and succeeded in securing one of them for Mr. Hudgins' dinner."

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DAVIS in the open class. Of the new natives, of course, much cannot be said, as the major portion of them will be kept in the shade for the Royal trophy on the first day, when they will be compelled to show their form. The arrangement of the meetings is gradually being formed into better shape, so that horsemen will have something like a circuit laid out for them. As at present announced Whitby will follow Woodbine, to be succeeded in turn by Woodstock and London. A blank week at present intervenes between the latter place and Hamilton on Dominion Day, which will, no doubt, be early placed to the credit of some suitable locality. Aurora is in with a two day's meeting on June 30th and July 1st, which will attract its share of attention from the North country people. So far everything looks very flattering, both as regards horses and meetings, and nothing is required but the united efforts of all engaged to make the Spring campaign of 1876 the most successful ever held in Ontario. The Western portion promises to be well represented, and in union with their friends of the Central and Eastern sections should present such fields as would be more attractive than usual. One thing not to be overlooked is the fine class of gentlemen who have allied themselves with turf sport, which cannot but result in its elevation in the opinion of the masses, and, as a sequence, add much to its interest in common, and to the pecuniary benefit of the Associations especially. All things considered, the campaign of 1876 may be looked forward to as a great revival, which, if properly managed, will permanently benefit the progress of the Turf, a condition of affairs that will be hailed with welcome and have the best wishes of all classes.

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IMPORTANT SALE.

The announcement of the public disposal of all Mr. Gage's horses drew together a large audience of horsemen to the mart of Messrs. Crogo & Bowley, in San Francisco, last week. The principal attraction was the sale of the fine race-mare Katie Pease. The turf career of Katie Pease is, we believe, for ever ended, but in the stud we are firmly convinced that she will perpetuate the high repute of the family from which she descends. After a few introductory remarks she was the first one offered. The first bid was \$2,000, when she was run up in a spirited manner to \$3,600, when the bidding became confined to two gentlemen, until \$3,850 was reached, when she was knocked down to James Mec, of San Francisco. She will probably be bred to Joe Daniels or Wilddie. A span of horses, Dan and Dick, was sold to Mr. Hicox. Mr. Gage also sold a span of mares at private sale for \$2,000; also, the mare Lotta for \$1,700. The auction sale also included carriages, harness, etc., belonging to the same gentleman which brought about \$1,300.

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Attention is directed to the advertisement of the sale of thoroughbred horses, the property of Andrew Allan, Esq., Lunderston Stock Farm, near Montreal, by Mr. C. F. Elwes, on Thursday, May 18. The stock comprises the most fashionable strains of blood in England and America, and has been selected by Mr. Allan regardless of price. It presents an opportunity to invest in fine stock such as never has been offered in Canada before, and should be eagerly taken advantage of by those who may be desirous of purchasing thoroughbred horses equal to any in the country.

The well-known trotting stallion Charles Douglas is advertised in our columns to-day for sale. He is known to be very fast, and any gentleman desirous of purchasing a horse of this class should consult the announcement.

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The Globe, in an ante mortem obituary notice of Harry Wright the base ball player, says he came to America with the English Eleven of 1866, and when the others returned home he remained in New York. As usual, when the Globe speaks of any sporting matters, a mistake is sure to be made. "A little learning," &c.

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A pigeon shoot is soon to take place in Buffalo between Mr. J. Cook, of Denver, Colorado, and a Mr. Anderson, of Guelph, Ont., for \$200 a side. So says our Buffalo correspondent.

To-morrow (Saturday) is the last day of receiving advertisements for the Dominion Turf Rules. It is a very permanent means of keeping your business before the owners of racing stock.

FROM OTTAWA.

The main talked of some time ago between Brockville and this place has not assumed any definite shape, and it is very improbable that the affair will take place.

A foot race for fifty dollars aside has been arranged to take place at an early date at Mutchmor Park, between Jas. Irvine and Charley Raine, both of this place. The distance is a mile. Of the merits of the two contestants it may be said that the former is by long odds the better runner, and unless lured into "ways that are dark" &c. will win the race. He has been credited with running five miles in something near twenty-eight minutes—a very creditable performance indeed. He has defeated all of our local pedestrians at various distances, from a quarter up. Raine was regarded somewhat conspicuously as a junior runner, and his friends seem confident of his success.

The "Pastimes" of Ogdensburg have been invited to play on the 24th, and it is intended to have the Tecumsehs on July 1st. The Ottawas have decided to enter the Canadian B. B. Association.

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By the way there is some dispute as to the ownership of Gowan's Opera House. The creditors of the firm of H. & J. Gowan claim that the property has been mortgaged to a younger member of the family, no consideration being paid therefor.

The cricket club of this city will shortly propose to their numerous friends the comedietta of "Delicate Ground," and the roaring farce of "Box and Cox."

The Mendelssohn Quintette club are expected here on the 19th and 20th inst.

FRANK.

A CHALLENGE TO MR. JOHNSTON.

I will jump Mr. Johnston of Barrie, a hop, step and jump, on the 18th of May, for \$100 a side, and will go to Barrie to jump, but I request that Mr. Will Bingham of Bradford be the stakeholder, to whom I will now send \$50 as forfeit. Now there is no way out of this if you mean business. Cover my forfeit, and send down the articles and I will sign.

CORNEY BURNS.

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The backers of Glas. Douglas assembled in force at our office on Saturday morning last to make a match with Black Mack, but the friends of the latter did not show up, and the former after waiting nearly an hour retired in good order. It is said the Mack party would not consent to trot anywhere but at Woodbine, and did not consider it advisable to make a p. p. match for such a distant date as September. Hence they held themselves aloof.

We expect to be aided in our efforts in giving reports of all races taking place in Canada, by the Secretaries of Associations and other friends throughout the country, who we trust will send us summaries of all turf contests coming under their notice. A paper like ours has to depend a great deal on the good will of its well-wishers for such information.

To-morrow (Saturday) is the last day of receiving advertisements for the Dominion Turf Rules. It is a very permanent means of keeping your business before the owners of racing stock.

PROM OTTAWA.

The main talked of some time ago between Brockville and this place has not assumed any definite shape, and it is very improbable that the affair will take place.

A foot race for fifty dollars aside has been arranged to take place at an early date at Mutchmor Park, between Jas. Irvine and Charley Rains, both of this place. The distance is a mile. Of the merits of the two contestants it may be said that the former is by long odds the better runner, and unless lured into "ways that are dark" &c. will win the race. He has been credited with running five miles in something near twenty-eight minutes—a very creditable performance indeed. He has defeated all of our local pedestrians at various distances, from a quarter up. Rains was regarded somewhat conspicuously as a junior runner, and his friends seem confident of his success.

The "Pastimes" of Ogdensburg have been invited to play on the 24th, and it is intended to have the Tecumsehs on July 1st. The Ottawas have decided to enter the Canadian B. B. Association.

Howard & Carle's "Around the World in 80 Days" opened Tuesday for a 5 days' stay at the Opera House.

By the way there is some dispute as to the ownership of Gowan's Opera House. The creditors of the firm of H. & J. Gowan claim that the property has been mortgaged to a younger member of the family, no consideration being paid therefor.

The cricket club of this city will shortly present to their numerous friends the comedietta of "Delicate Ground," and the roaring farce of "Box and Cox."

The Mendelssohn Quintette club are expected here on the 19th and 20th inst.

FRANK.

A CHALLENGE TO MR. JOHNSTON.

I will jump Mr. Johnston of Barrie, a hop, step and jump, on the 18th of May, for \$100 a side, and will go to Barrie to jump, but I request that Mr. Will Bingham of Bradford be the stakeholder, to whom I will now send \$50 as forfeit. Now there is no way out of this if you mean business. Cover my forfeit, and send down the articles and I will sign.

CORNEY BURNS.

TORONTO, May 3, '76.

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I am prepared to make a match to row any man in Ontario a half-mile sculling race for one or two hundred dollars a side. Any one wishing to accept the above can be accommodated by calling or addressing Jno. F. Scholes, Albert St.

THOS. LONDON, Toronto.

To Correspondents.

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

T. H. A., Pt. Hope.—See notice at head of this department.

E. D., Peterboro.—Looking up your question.

FRIEND JACK, Ottawa.—Trumpeter, 156 lbs.; Sarah G., 160 lbs.; Mignonette, 153 lbs.; Judge Pryor, 160 lbs.

M. R. G.—Think he is in New York or vicinity; a letter directed care of "The Spirit of the Times" would find him. Cannot find any record at all of the mare.

R., Watford.—Some of your items were anticipated. We have no regular correspondent in your village. Our only club terms are:—The person getting up a club of five and remitting us \$20 is entitled to a copy of the paper and his choice of our premium engravings.

CANADIAN.	
Woodbine Park, Toronto.....	May 24 to 27
Dundas (holiday)	May 24
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Wingham, Ont.....	May 24 to 25
Whitby, Ont.....	May 31 & June 1
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London.....	" 14 to 15
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Hamilton.....	June 29 to July 1
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Canadian Stallion Race.....	Sept. —
ENTRIES CLOSE.	
AMERICAN.	
Leroy } Western N.Y. Circuit.....	May 27
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Ogdensburg, N.Y.....	June 21
CANADIAN.	
Aurora colt stake.....	May 15
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THE SPRING PROSPECT.

Notwithstanding the backwardness of the Spring we hear good accounts of several horses already in training. The mild winter with which we were favored assisted materially in bringing the horses out in better shape than could otherwise have been anticipated. and, as a consequence, the trainers are farther forward with their work than might be imagined. The opening promises to be brilliant and augurs well for the future prospects. Several fresh horses will, in all likelihood, put in an appearance at Woodbine, the prominent ones of which will probably be Passion, Lampi, Mary Rowett and Belle

Veterinary.

DOUBLE CONCEPTION.

BY S. G. TATTERSALL, V. S., (LONDON, ENG.), AILSA CRAIG, ONT.

MONDAY, April 24th, 1876.

Remarking in your last Friday's issue on your Veterinary correspondence, I am very forcibly reminded of the inadequacy of the postal service in Canada, as insomuch according to the distance and the time taken to traverse that distance my correspondence should be with you in time for publication as it is forwarded from here by the mail train leaving at 1:30 p. m., on Tuesday.

I have to refer to what one of your correspondents notes as a puzzle to Physiologists, namely, the fact of one colt being born some hours before the other, and I have the pleasure of narrating a similar case which occurred in my practice a few years ago in the State of Iowa, U.S.

Both the case in your last issue and the one that I am about to cite have never, to my knowledge, been accounted for by any Physiologist, although in Professor Dunglison's work there are two cases given which bear an analogy to these two cases about to be quoted.

The facts of the case I am about to mention can be well authenticated by numbers of persons, then, and now residing in Marshalltown, Iowa.

A farmer by the name of Sharpe, who is a thoroughly well-known man, both as far as his worldly position is concerned, and also as to his integrity, was the owner of the mare.

This gentleman called on me, about three months before the mare's time for parturition was due, to look at the mare, as she was, he said "forming a bag." I accordingly visited her, and found the mamma distended with milk; however, the mare, of which the owner thought a great deal, was in excellent health, and although I thought it very peculiar that milk should be suddenly secreted, and as suddenly withdrawn, of course I had no suspicions of what was to follow.

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Amusements.

CITY.

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May 31 & June 1

FIRST DAY.

- \$175—Hurdle Race. Two miles. \$150—Province Purse. Heats. \$175—Open to all. Heats.

SECOND DAY.

- \$100—Province-bred. Dash 1 1/2 miles; handicap. \$150—Open to all. Dash 2 miles. \$100—Dominion horses. One-half mile heats, 3 in 5. \$175—Open to all. Mile heats.

Entries close on Monday, 29th May, at 9 p.m.

PETER WAKEM,

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KING TOM is a bright bay, stands 16 hands high; by Lexington dam Tokay, by imp. Yorkshire. Record, four-mile heats: 1st heat, 7:56; 2nd, 7:40; 3rd, 7:54; mile heats, 1st heat, 1:46; 2nd, 1:47; 3rd, 1:45; 4th, 1:46; 5th, 1:46. KING TOM took the first Provincial prize at London 1873, also first Provincial prize at



OGDENSBURG RACES.

JULY 4th, 1876.

\$1,200 — \$1,200

1. Running Race—Purse \$200—\$150 to first, 50 to second; entrance \$5. A single dash of One Mile and Eighty Yards. Weights for age, according to Jerome Park Rules; horses bred in the Dominion of Canada being allowed 7 lbs.

2. Trotting Race—Purse \$500—\$300 to first, 150 to second, 50 to third, entrance ten per cent. of first money. Open to all. Mile heats to harness, best 3 in 5, three to enter two to start; horse distancing the field to receive first money only. Rules of National Association to govern.

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4. Post Stake—\$20 entrance; \$50 forfeit—Club to add \$225; second horse to receive 75 out of the stake. A single dash of One Mile Four and a-half Furlongs; the following weights to be carried: 3-year-olds 118 lbs, 4-year-olds 132 lbs, 5-year-olds 138 lbs, 6-year and aged 140. Horses bred in the Dominion of Canada allowed 7 lbs.

NOTE—The distances in Races 1 and 4 have been made such that, from the starting point, they will allow horses to become well settled in their stride before reaching a turn on the track.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Running Races are open to all. Three to enter, two to start. To be conducted under the Jerome Park Rules.

Any number of horses may start from the same stable in Races 1, 3 & 4.

Jockeys must appear in proper costume, or they will not be allowed to start.

Entries must be made in writing, giving name, color, age, sex, sire and dam of horse and colors of rider. This must be strictly observed. A horse distancing the field to receive first money only.

Every effort will be made to have the track in excellent condition.

Entries to Races, and subscriptions to Post Stake to be directed or mailed to H. M. Tallman, Ogdensburg, N. Y., on or before Wednesday, June 21st, 1876, accompanied by the entrance money.



SPRING MEETING.

GRAND RAPIDS

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PREMIUMS, \$3,000,

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CHAPTER XVI.

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From the Spirit of the Times

Now, you have pledged yourself to show from the record many, very many first-class race nags, the produce of the sons and daughters of Imp. Leviathan. In all the above-named mares of his get, but two or three were race nags of the first class. Now, we will look over what the sons of Leviathan have done in the stud. Boyd McNary, a brother to Saml. Bladen, even failed on Clara Howard. Tom Watson and George M. Dallas, his brothers, and two others, whose names I have now forgotten, all failed in the stud. The Pony, John Malone, Bud (brother to the Queen), Gray Bill, Capt. McLeath, Corporal Tim, Hugh L. White, Capt. Elgie (dam fool), Gov. Paddoxer, Fishamingo, Black Satin, Black Jack, Peter Whitstone, Bundo and Co., Wacoona, John R. Gimes, Tom Marshal, Harry Cargill, Frankin, Ajax (brother to Mary Queen of Scots), Hornpipe, all failed. Luskahanna and one winner called Colophon, dam Fortuna, by Paulet. Othello was the sire of Ingo, who was a pretty fair racehorse, but his dam had previously bred two racehorses by Luzborough, viz., Sartin and John Fisher. Sartin was nearly a number one racehorse, but quite a good second rate, and you say George Elliott produced one. If that have ever produced a winner, it was, as Artemus Ward would say, on the outskirts of civilization. In the above enumeration of Leviathan's sires, with but two or three exceptions, every one failed as a sire, and you may reach the record, and you will not find a thoroughbred mare whose owner was desirous of breeding a racehorse that had been sired to a Leviathan stallion in the last fifteen or twenty years.

I read in my article "Do not place in the stud, in which foals are intended for public sale, a stallion whose brothers have failed in the stud." "Albion" thinks it is not sound advice. "Sir Archy," he says, "had an older brother that failed in the stud, and so had the great Medoc." Sir Archy never had a brother, for Hephzibah, by Buzzard, was only a half-brother. Medoc had but one brother, that was Midas, and he died before he went into the stud, being only three years old. "Lexington," "Albion" states, "had no older brother, but he had younger brothers, and they all failed at the stud." I will show how his half-brothers came to fail (for he never had a brother). Waxy, by Buford, was castrated when a year old; of course he failed to sire race nags. Chronometer died the spring he was four years old and was never in the stud. Empire, by Lecompte, the other half-brother, was taken to England when a yearling, and ran with some success, was sold and went into the stud, sired some winners, but he is chiefly valued now as the getter of good cross-country mares.

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"Albion" says: "Vandal had many brothers, sons of Glencoe, that failed in the stud before he was foaled." I know that Vandal never had a brother, he had two half-brothers, one by Mirabeau who was a good racehorse from one to four mares, and the first horse that ever ran in 1819 in America, and he was castrated, and never was in the stud, and after he was broke down his owner drove him to his carriage till he died at 22 years of age. The other was by Boston and was castrated when a three-year-old, because he was a failure as a racehorse. "Albion" should know, being a lawyer, that there is no statute or common law regulating the relationship of horses as there is in regard to the human family. The laws define the status of all human beings, such as the laws of primogeniture, entail, inheritance, succession, accession to the marriage, divorce, and the rights of property between man and wife, rights of children, etc., none of which apply to the relationship of the horse. One stallion may be the sire of from fifty to one hundred foals, but a man is not but to be the same misfortune, and therefore his domestic affairs are easily regulated by simple laws, but it is impossible to keep the record of the progress of the relationship of own horses to other brothers in blood horses. There is no record of ancestry for horses, and therefore it is impossible to tell the relationship of colts to their sire or dam, or to tell the relationship of a stallion to his sons, or of a mare to her foals, as "Albion" has done in the last three times, or even half a dozen times. He thus writes: "I must not fail to mention that in the preceding chapter, by a typographical error I am made to say, 'Another habit should be formed,' which should read, 'reformed,' etc.—O.T."

like Artemus Ward's lecture, "Sixty Minutes in Africa," commenced with Africa, but he wandered away so far upon other topics that he never got back again until after his lecture was over. So it is with "Albion." He commenced on Leviathan, and, after discussing the merits and demerits of nearly every horse in the United States, he falls into the old story of comparing Lecompte with Lexington.

There never was a day during Lexington's turf career that he could not distance Lecompte in four miles. When Lexington beat him in 7:23 1/2 he was pulled double from the head of the stretch home to allow Lecompte to get in his distance, for his owner had five hundred dollars bet on every quarter during the race, and, of course, was anxious to have him to start the second heat; but the judges permitted the owner of Lecompte to withdraw him after the first heat. It was for a purse, with an inside stake of \$2,500, but none but Lexington and Lecompte entered. Brown Dick was on the ground, and in condition, for he had just run a heat of three miles in 5:28, but his owner could not be persuaded to enter him against the two best sons of Boston. "Albion" is in error in regard to Lexington's running this race first. He ran his four miles against time in 7:19 1/2, before he beat Lecompte. "Albion" is also in error in regard to the bet made by Mr. Alexander and Mr. McGrath. The bet was this: that he (Alexander) would bet five hundred or a thousand that Lexington would sire a race nag that would beat his own time. The number of years was designated in which he should do it, but I have forgotten the exact number. After the death of Mr. Robert Alexander, Mr. McGrath claimed that he had won the bet, as the allotted time had expired, thereupon the present proprietor of Woodlawn Stud gave him the privilege of breeding two mares to Lexington when he was serving at \$500 the season, and Tom Bowling is the result of one of them.

It is also in error in regard to the selling of Norfolk for more than the purchase money of Lexington. I was at St. Louis when Norfolk was sold, and I asked him myself why he put only \$1 more over \$15,000 as the price of Norfolk and his reply was that, when he returned from England after purchasing Lexington, some of his friends remarked to him, when at Lexington, that he had better have brought over a good English stallion to have crossed upon our native mares. He said he told them then that he would breed a colt from Lexington that would sell for more money than he paid for him, hence the extra dollar; there was no bet on that. It is all a mistake, friend "Albion," about the excitement being in favor of Lexington, Ky., for Lecompte had full as many friends, and served several mares at \$100, although his stay was but a few weeks previous to his leaving for England. Even Alice Carneal was farmed for the season to breed to Lecompte, and it was not known but Lexington would also go to England, for his owner had strong notions of taking him, and was only deterred from doing so by his eyes growing worse. There was not a breeder in Kentucky who entered a protest, or lifted up a hand to stay the leaving of the country of this great horse, for I will venture to say that there was not a Kentuckian who would have given \$5,000 for him as a sire. So the excitement about the horses geographically described by "Albion" all subsided after Lexington left the turf. "Albion" says it is not true, however, as stated by the "Old Trainer," that in no instance has there been a case where one of Lexington's sons or daughters has been long enough in the stud to allow its produce to be trained, that they failed to turn out a winner. Lindora was the first winner that Lexington ever got. She won, when a three-year-old, the Phoenix Stake. She was not a very good race nag, and, some time having elapsed since she left the turf, I had entirely forgotten her, not knowing that she had had a foal, until her brilliant grandson Vagrant appeared; but that is no merit of hers. If I was allowed to reason and trace her blood to the second generation, as "Albion" has done in his article, I could make her out a wonderful brood-mare; but that would be wrong. In regard to Picaque, her dam, she failed to Glencoe, and with all her great number of colts—some eighteen or twenty she never produced but four race nags; the others were not second rate. She being a small mare, she just suited the big course horse, Margrave. She produced two racehorses by him—Doubloon and Florin—and one by imported Sardodon, also a large horse. Sardod, by Lecompte, was a good little horse, but he was unlucky, and won but few races. All of our purest and best bred stallions are descendants of wild horses, who bred in-and-in ages after ages before they were caught and domesticated, yet that did not prevent the descendants of these wild horses, with proper care and proper breeding, from becoming giants, as it were, reaching the enormous height of 17 hands, and weighing from 1,000 to 1,200 lbs. And some of the best families that we have now in the stud or on the turf were considerably improved for the last hundred years. No, friend "Albion," no inbreeding is injurious, unless you breed incestuously, and that should be prohibited by law.

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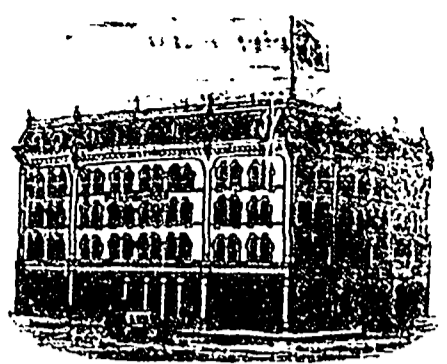
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There is nothing that "Albion" can say in praise of Medoc as a great sire that I will not subscribe to, for I was before him on that subject. I am on record in the old Lexington Observer and Reporter, as early as 1841, as having said that "Medoc had, in less than five years in the stud, covered the whole western country with his unsurpassed progeny," but I still say that but two of his sons ever got a racehorse. One was Mirabeau I, the sire of Alarie, and the other was Grey Medoc, the sire of two or three winners.

"Albion" says, in comparing Medoc with Lexington and Sir Archy as a sire: "Suppose Sir Archy and Lexington had died, after each having short a time in the stud as Medoc, would they have left as many winners as this wonderful young stallion?" I say, yes, for Lexington got racehorses the very first season; he died, and left the stud after serving three seasons, there would have been winners enough left of his get to have stamped him as a great sire. But I must acknowledge that Medoc, had he left the stud after serving the same number of seasons, would have been entitled to the same credit, but Medoc, like Lexington, was used and abused by serving too many mares.

"Albion" says "Vandal had many brothers, sons of Glencoe, that failed in the stud before he was foaled." I know that Vandal never had a brother, he had two half-brothers, one by Mirabeau who was a good racehorse from one to four miles, and the first horse that ever ran in 3:39 in America, and he was castrated, and never was in the stud, and after he was broken down his owner drove him to his carriage till he died, at 22 years of age. The other was by Boston, and was castrated when a three-year-old, because he was a failure as a racehorse. "Albion" should know, being a lawyer, that there is no statute or common law regulating the relationship of horses as there is in regard to the human family. The laws define the status of all human beings such as the laws of primogeniture, entail, inheritance, succession, accession to titles, marriage, divorce, and the rights of children, etc., none of which apply to the relationship of the horse. One stallion may be the sire of from fifty to one hundred foals, but a man is not liable to the same misfortune, and therefore his domestic affairs are easily regulated by simple laws. But it is impossible to keep the record for legal purposes of the relationship of own brothers, or full brothers in blood horses. There is no Court of Chancery for horses, and therefore no man can tell the relationship of colts or fillies sired by one stallion out of different mares. They are not brothers, as "Albion" has asserted two or three times, or even half brothers, for half-brothers or sisters must both be out of the same dam by different sires. So you will see friend "Albion," that it is a mistake to call all horses brothers, because they are by the same sire and sires they are out of the same dam.

"Albion" says "Lexington has been a wonderful success in the stud. He was a first-class racehorse, he had fine bones, great power, excellent form, splendid action, a vigorous constitution, and was as game and ambitious as a cock pheasant." That will do, Mr. "Albion," after that I let you for all you have said, and all the trouble you have given me in answering your enquiries. I give you credit for your nice discrimination between his merit and his sire Boston. I also agree with you that Boston often failed on good mares. I never myself considered him a good sire, he got a few good ones, and when that is said all around in his favor. I also agree with you in regard to the chances Lexington had as a sire, I think he had the best chance of any stallion I ever read of, but his great excellence as a sire proved he deserved such opportunity, for, from his era, the improvement of the racehorse has taken a bound on the road of fame and perfection which no sire will ever surpass, at least in our time; but this is wandering from the subject at issue. Justice Lovianth is what you started out with, but,

... there was no bet on that. It is all a mistake, friend "Albion," about the excitement going in favor of Lexington, Ky., for Leconte had full as many friends, and served several mares at \$100, although his stay was but a few weeks previous to his leaving for England. Even Alice Carneal was farmed for the season to breed to Leconte, and it was not known but Lexington would also go to England, for his owner had strong notions of taking him, and I was only deterred from doing so by his eyes growing worse. There was not a breeder in Kentucky who entered a protest, or lifted up a hand to stay the leaving of the country of this great horse, for I will venture to say that there was not a Kentuckian who would have given \$5,000 for him as a sire. So the excitement about the horses geographically described by "Albion" all subsided after Lexington left the turf. "Albion" says it is not true, however, as stated by the "Old Trainer," that in no instance has there been a case where one of Lexington's sons or daughters has been long enough in the stud to allow its produce to be trained, that they failed to turn out a winner. Lindora was the first winner that Lexington ever got. She won, when a three-year-old, the Phoenix Stakes. She was not a very good race nag, and, some time having elapsed since she left the turf, I had entirely forgotten her, not knowing that she had had a foal, until her brilliant grandson Vagrant appeared; but that is the merit of hers. If I was allowed to reason and trace her blood to the second generation, as "Albion" has done in his article, I could make her out a wonderful broodmare; but that would be wrong. In regard to Picayune, her dam, she failed to Glencoe, and with all her great number of colts—some eighteen or twenty—she never produced but four race nags; the others were not second rate. She being a small mare, she just suited the big course horse horse, Margrave. She produced two racehorses by him, Doubloon and Florin—and one by imported Serpedon, also a large horse Sherol, by Leconte, was a good little horse, but he was unlucky, and won but few races. All of our purest and best bred stallions are descendants of wild horses, who bred in-and-in ages after ages before they were caught and domesticated, yet that did not prevent the descendants of those wild horses, with proper care and proper breeding, from becoming gems, as it were, reaching the enormous height of 17 hands, and weighing from 1,000 to 1,200 lbs. And some of the best families that we have now in the stud or on the turf were considerably inbred for the last hundred years. No, friend "Albion," no inbreeding is injurious, unless you breed incestuously, and that should be prohibited by law.

EMERSON In the preceding chapter, by a typographical error I am made to say, "Another habit should be formed," which should read, reformed," etc.—O.T.

CHAPTER XVII.

The Ornaments of the Turf now under the Turf.

All enlightened nations patronize and cultivate the sports of the turf, and regard the thoroughbred horse as the greatest and noblest of all animals; consequently the community which breeds, rears, and improves the thoroughbred is entitled to take high rank in social civilization and intellectual development. For, to improve the breed of any animal useful and productive to mankind is a work of advanced civilization. Hence the eminent men who have figured upon the American turf, before and since the Revolution, are worthy at least of an honorable notice by the present generation, who are reaping the benefit of their enterprise and patronage of the noble sports of the field and track.

In glancing over the racing history of the past I shall merely mention the distinguished turfmen by name who figured upon the turf previous to my day, and only enlorge those whom I knew personally, or who lived during my time upon the turf.

Since the Oxford-Harvard contest, says Bell, no aquatic event of an international character has taken place. Edward Trickett, 25 yrs, 6 ft. 8 in., and 15 stone weight, of Sydney, Australia, is matched to scull the English champion J. H. Sadler, on 26th June, from Putney to Mortlake, for £200 a side and the championship of the world. There is no available boat big enough for the Antipodean, who is therefore unable to show his form till Swaddle has finished a ship for him. His many victories in Australia make him a formidable opponent.

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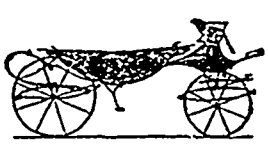
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Will make the season of 1876, at his proprietors' stable, Dundas, Ont. Limited to 20 mares, at \$25 to insure. Book now open.

Description.—Benedick is a rich golden chestnut, 16 hands high, foaled in 1872, by Almont, dam Susie Spours, by imported Arabian Fysaul; 2nd dam, Sister to Pryor No. 1, by imported Glonoo; 3rd dam, Gipsy (sister to Medoo), by American Eclipse; 4th dam, Young Maid of Oaks, by imported Expedition; 5th dam, Maid of Oaks, by imported Spread Eagle; 6th dam, Annotte, by imported Shunk; 7th dam, by Rockingham; 8th dam, by Bayless Gallant; 9th dam, by True Whig; 10th dam, by imported Regulus; 11th dam, imported Diamond, by Cullen's Arabian; 12th dam, Griswood's Lady Thigh, by Croft's Partner; 13th dam, by Grayhound; 14th dam, Sophonisba's Jam, by Curwen's Bay Barb; 15th dam, by D'Arroy's Chestnut Arabian; 16th dam, by Whiteshirt, 17th dam, old Montague mare. Almont, the great sire of trotters, is by Alexander's Abdallah (the sire of Goldsmith Maid), dam by Mambrino Chief. Mambrino Chief was sired by Mambrino Paymaster, he by Mambrino, he by imported Messenore. Mambrino Chief was the sire of Lady Thorn. Almont is the sire of Allie West, 3 yrs, 2.29; Piedmont, 4 yrs, third heat, 2:30; Aletha, 4 yrs, 2:31; and two other four-year-olds have shown a gait of 2:16 in private trials.

Mares from a distance will be furnished pasturage and good care at low rates; but the proprietors will not be responsible for any accidents or losses.

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By Aberdeen, dam by Sealey's American Star; and the well-known Royal George Stallion

Whirlwind,

Will make the season of 1876 in the vicinity of Toronto.

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Toronto, Feb. 23, 1876.

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BASHAW
ABDALLAH**

Will make the season of 1876, at the Thames Valley Stock Farm, one mile north of the town of St. Mary's, Ont. Terms, \$25 to insure. Good pasturage and care of mares, but all accidents and escapes at owner's risk.

BASHAW ABDALLAH is a jet black, flowing mane and tail, 15-3; weighs 1,160 lbs., with fine trotting action, good carriage, kind disposition, and great development of muscle. He was sired by Freehold Bashaw, of New Jersey (record of 2:36), he by old Black Bashaw, he by Young Bashaw, and he by the Arabian horse Grand Bashaw. Bashaw Abdallah's dam was Mary Tracy by New York Kattler, he by Old Abdal-

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HYDER ALI,

Will make the season of 1876 at Toronto, Cooksville, Oakville, Bronte, Wellington Square, and Hamilton, for a limited number of mares. His book is now open.

Description.—Hyder Ali is a beautiful bay, about 16 hands, foaled in 1872, sired by imp. Leamington, dam Lady Duke, by Lexington; 2nd dam, Magdalen by Medoo; 3rd dam, Kepp's dam by Sumpter; 4th dam, by Lewis' Eclipse; 5th dam, Maria by Craig's Alfred; 6th dam, by Tayloe's Bellair; 7th dam, by imp. Medley, &c. (See American Stud Book, vol. I, p. 606, vol. II, p. 4). Leamington by Faugh-a-Ballagh (winner of the St. Leger in 1914), dam by Pantaloon.

It is unnecessary to enlarge on the high breeding of Hyder Ali, as the above pedigree, combining the two most fashionable strains in America—Lexington and Leamington—speaks for itself.

Hyder Ali was considered the crack two and three-year-old of his years as a racehorse.

TERMS—To insure, thoroughbreds, \$40; other mares, \$25.

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Mr. DWYER,
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**THE THOROUGHBRED KENTUCKY STALLION
WAR CRY,**

Will make this season (1876), at my farm near Weston; he will also stand at Yorkville, York Mills, Thornhill, Woodbridge, Colerain, Tallamore, Woodhill, Grahamsville, and intermediate places. Full particulars in posters at the commencement of the season.

WAR CRY was sired by War Dance, he by Lexington out of Reel, by imp. Glencoe; dam Eliza Davis, by imp. Knight of St. George (Leger winner 1854), out of imp. Melrose by Melbourne (See Am. Stud Book, page 374, Vol. I).

WAR CRY (foaled 1870), is a rich chestnut, 15-3 hands, with powerful development, beauty of symmetry and gentleness of disposition.

TERMS—To insure—Thoroughbred mares, \$20, other mares, \$16. Good pasture for a limited number of mares. Escapes and accidents at owner's risk.

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Weston, March 7, 1876.

**THE THOROUGHBRED STALLION
TUBMAN,**

Will serve a limited number of mares, at the farm of the subscribers, Leachine, near Montreal.

Tubman is a beautiful bay, 16½ hands high, and has great bone and substance; is a first-class race horse, and has won at all distances.

Tubman was sired by War Dance, he by Lexington out of Reel, by imp. Glencoe; dam Lass of Sidney, by imp. Knight of St. George; 2nd dam imported mare by Laneroot.

TERMS—Thoroughbred mares, \$15; other mares, \$10; to insure, \$20 and \$15.

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Lachine, March 17, 1876. 238-um.



**The Celebrated Trotting Stallion
Phil Sheridan,**

Will serve a limited number of mares the coming season, at the stables of his owner, in the Village of Waddington, St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. Mares left with Capt. Farlinger of Morrisburgh.

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**THE
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By Hambletonian, out of Lady Duke, by Lexington, will make the season of 1876, at the proprietor's stables.

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Chestnut Hill,

By Rysdyk, out of the Miller mare, by Bully King, son of Geo. M. Patchen, g d by Duroc, will make the season of 1876 at the same stable. The services of this high bred trotting sire will be held at

\$75 TO INSURE,

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Terms in other respects the same as those of his sire, Rysdyk. 239-nm



Wm. B. Smith,

By Thomas Jefferson, son of Toronto Chief, dam imp. Heathbloom, by Tally Ho, will make the season of 1876 at the same stable.

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For durability, stamina, and gameness, this stallion has no superior. His famous sire, Thomas Jefferson, the Black Whirlwind of the East, is one of the fastest trotting stallions in America, having secured for himself in public trial a record of 3:22, winning the million purse at the great Buffalo meeting of 1874.

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North America,

By Bombardier, son of imp. Glencoe; dam the Harrison mare, by Defiance, will make the season of 1876 at the same stable;

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**STORMONT
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RINGWOOD,

Got by Edward Everett, 1st dam by Long Island Black Hawk, 2nd dam by American Star, will stand during the season of 1876, at the Stormont Stock Farm, one mile east of the Town of Cornwall.

Ringwood is, in color, golden chestnut, stands 15½ hands high, and weighs 1,170 lbs. He is a horse of grand presence, of more style, head and tail, than any horse in the country. With his perfect, regular, machine-like action, his wonderful speed, power and substance, and his rare combination, in the closest and most direct lines, of the blood of the three greatest trotting families on the turf, the ABDALLAHS, BASHAWs, and STARS, he is the most desirable horse to breed from in Canada, and not surpassed by any trotting stallion in America. From the appearance of his colts and fillies of 1874 and 1875, his first get were dropped in 1874, they have his fine size, form and color, it is fair to infer that he will transmit to his stock his own great qualities; the great qualities of style, speed and game that distinguish his Royal ancestry, and place them on the roll of fame, high above all other families of trotters.

Directly descended through his sire, Edward Everett, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian (by Abdallah by Mambrino), from imp. Messenore, through his dam, by Long Island Black Hawk (by Andrew Jackson, by Young Bashaw), from imp. ARABIAN GRAND BASHAW; and through his grand dam, by Seely's American Star (by American Star by Duroc), from imp. DUMPK, he is more closely and immediately allied to the great trotting wonders of America, with the exception of Walkhill Chief, Ajax, and Artemus, full brothers, and of Socrates and Norwood, full brothers, than any other horse now at the stud, that we know of, either in Canada or in the United States. Add to this the Royal blood of imported Margrave, deeply inbred to the great Hymn, derived through the dam of his sire, and you have a combination of the lightest and purest types that may be equalled possibly, but cannot be excelled by that of any trotting sire in the world. AND BLOOD WILL TELL!!

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Highland,

9 years, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Emily, by Smith's Hambletonian; rich brown, weighs 1,120 pounds; and

ALBION,

5 years, 16 hands, by Mr. James' Highland Boy, Hamilton; golden chestnut, weighs 1,200 pounds.

Will make the season at Parkhill and London.

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**YOUNG
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This well bred young trotting stallion will make the season for a limited number of mares at the stable of Mr. Fumlinson, Athlone.

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**The Trotting Stallions
Highland Boy,
AND
Winfield Scott,**



Will make the season of 1876 at the stables of the undersigned.

HIGHLAND BOY, foaled 1860, is a beautiful bay, black points, 16½ hands high, and for style, action and symmetry, is not surpassed by any stallion in America; was sired by Hamlet, by Volunteer, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Black Maria (brod by Mr. Verloy, of Dutchess Co., N. Y., by Mambrino Chief, the sire of Lady Thorn. Highland Boy is the sire of a great number of fast and promising colts.—(Clonster, Jr., winner of the Boyle three year-old stake at Hamilton, September, 1875. Tonnyson, Mat Cameron, The Harris colt, Wentworth, Albion, Highland Boy, Jr., The Baxter Colt, and many others. He produces well from all kinds of mares, and the majority of his colts are very stylish and rangy, with fine trotting action.

WINFIELD SCOTT, foaled 1867, dappled gray, 15½ hands high, sired by Edward Everett (sire of Fullerton, record 2:18; Mountain Boy, 2:20; Joe Elliott, &c., &c.), by Rysdyk's Hambletonian. Winfield Scott's dam was the celebrated trotting mare Lady Shannon (record 2:28), by Harris Hambletonian, by Bishop's Hambletonian, by imp. Messenger. The oldest colts of Winfield Scott are coming three, and the few that have been driven show remarkably trotting speed and very fine disposition.

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FEARNOUGHT CHIEF,

Will make the season of 1876 at Woodstock and vicinity.

FEARNOUGHT CHIEF is a bright golden chestnut, over 16 hands, with great bone and fine trotting action, foaled 1872 sired by Fearnaught, Jr., he by old Fearnaught, he by Perkins' Young Morrill, he by old Morrill, (See Wallace Am. Trotting Register, Vol. I, pp. 133, 241, Vol. II, p. 206); dam, a fast trotting mare by Toronto Chief, he by old Toronto Chief, the sire of Thomas Jefferson.

JOHN FORBES,
Woodstock, Ont.

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**Columbus and Hambletonian
STALLION**

Warr Hulett.

He is a beautiful bay, black legs, mane and tail; stands 15½ hands high, foaled in 1861; sired by Woodruff's Columbus; 1st dam by Andrew Hambletonian (sire of Princess), 2nd dam by Green Mountain Morgan.

HULETT is a natural trotter, and has a record of 2:41, made at Middle Granville, N. Y., during his season of 1874. He is no untired stallion, and is a sure foal getter and the sire of some very fast colts, including Belle of Pawlat, 2:31; Robinson, 2:32; Lady Brown (3 yrs), 2:52; Baby Belle (Jan 8, 1876), 3 yrs old, trotted 4 mile heats in 1:29, 1:27, 1:26; Daniel Draw (5 yrs), 2:45; Sally Brown "Norton Colt," 31; ram Drew, Louise Hulett, &c., &c.

HULETT has more Messenger blood in him than any horse in Canada.

TERMS—\$50 the season, secured by note due 1st November, 1876. Mares not proven in foal to be returned free of charge until proven in foal, while I own the horse.

Will stand at the Woodbine Driving Park, Toronto, the season of 1876, from 1st May till 1st August—limited to 60 mares.

Send for circular giving extended pedigree and full particulars. Address, James Addison, Hartman P.O., North York. Pasture furnished at reasonable rates to mares bred to Hulett.

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ERIN CHIEF.



The 'Well-Bred Trotting Stallion

ABERDOUR,

(FORMERLY ABERDEEN STAR).

By Aberdeen, dam by Seeley's American Star; and the well-known Royal George Stallion

Whirlwind,

Will make the season of 1876 in the vicinity of Toronto.

Terms—\$20 to insure. Further particulars in future advertisement.

R. DAVIS,
Don Brewery,
Toronto.
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Toronto, Feb. 22, 1876.



THE TROTting STALLION

BASHAW

ABDALLAH

Will make the season of 1876, at the Thames Valley Stock Farm, one mile north of the town of St. Mary's, Ont. Terms, \$25 to insure. Good pasturage and care of mares, but all accidents and escapes at owner's risk.

BASHAW ABDALLAH is a jet black, flowing mane and tail, 15-3; weighs 1,150 lbs., with fine trotting action, good carriage, kind disposition, and great development of muscle. He was sired by Freehold Bashaw, of New Jersey (record of 2:30), he by old Black Bashaw, he by Young Bashaw, and he by the Arabian horse Grand Bashaw. Bashaw Abdallah's dam was Mary Tracy, by New York Rattler, he by Old Abdallah, he by Mambrino, by imported Messenger. Rattler is a half-brother to Rysdyk's Hambletonian. Young Bashaw's dam was Peri, by First Consul; granddam Fancy, by imported Messenger. Black Bashaw's dam was by True American; grand dam by Hickory. Freehold Bashaw's dam was by Old Abdallah, the sire of Rysdyk's Hambletonian.

Address,
A. F. DEFOE,
St. Mary's, Ont

235-am



THE THOROUGHbred STALLION

HELMBOLD,

By imported Australian, dam Lavender, by Wagner, &c., will stand this season at Montreal. Terms—Thoroughbreds, \$20; half-breds, \$10. For particulars apply to

C. J. ALLOWAY, V. S.,
MONTREAL.

241-am

WAR CRY,

Will make this season (1876), at my farm near Weston; he will also stand at Yorkville, York Mills, Thornhill, Woodbridge, Colerain, Tullamore, Woodhill, Grahamsville, and intermediate places. Full particulars in posters at the commencement of the season.

WAR CRY was sired by War Dance, he by Lexington out of Reel, by imp. Glencoe; dam Eliza Davis, by imp. Knight of St. George (Leger winner 1854), out of imp. Melrose by Melbourne (See Am. Stud Book, page 374, Vol. I.)

WAR CRY (foaled 1870), is a rich chestnut, 15-3 hands, with powerful development, beauty of symmetry and gentleness of disposition.

TERMS—To insure—Thoroughbred mares, \$20, other mares, \$10. Good pasture for a limited number of mares. Escapes and accidents at owner's risk.

H. GRACEY,

Weston, March 7, 1876.

237-am



THE THOROUGHbred STALLION

TUBMAN,

Will serve a limited number of mares, at the farm of the subscribers, LaSalle, near Montreal.

TUBMAN is a beautiful bay, 16-3 hands high, and has great bone and substance; is a first-class race horse, and has won at all distances.

TUBMAN was sired by War Dance, he by Lexington out of Reel; by imp. Glencoe; dam Lass of Sidney, by imp. Knight of St. George; 2nd dam imported mare by Lanercost.

TERMS—Thoroughbred mares, \$15; other mares, \$10; to insure, \$20 and \$15.

DAWES & CO.

LaSalle, March 17, 1876.

238-am.



The Celebrated Trotting Stallion

Phil Sheridan,

Will serve a limited number of mares the coming season, at the stables of his owner, in the Village of Waddington, St. Lawrence Co., N.Y. Mares left with Capt. Farlinger of Morrisburgh, Ont., or with Samuel Hollinworth, Prescott, Ont., will receive the best of care.

PEDIGREE.—PHIL SHERIDAN is a dark brown color, stands 16 hands high, and weighs 1,100 lbs.; he was sired by Young Columbus, he by Old Columbus, his dam being the celebrated Black Maria, granddam of Harris' Hambletonian. Phil's dam, Black Fly, from a Tipple Horse; dam from Black Jack. He trotted in the grand stallion race at Mystic Park, Boston, in 1874, open to all stallions in the world, for the championship—there were 16 entries, the best in the world. Phil won second money (\$3,000), and Gold Medal; and Commonwealth, one of his colts—formerly Dread—won fourth (\$1,000), and Gold Medal, thus proving himself the best living sire of his age. The race was won by Smuggler, in 2:23, 2:23, 2:20. He is the sire of Adelaide; record, 2:22; Commonwealth, 2:24; H. W. Beacher that is entered in the Centennial Colt Stakes at Philadelphia, and a host of others that can beat 2:30. Phil's record is 2:26.

TERMS.—\$100 for the season, payable in advance, and any mare not proving in foal from the season's service can be returned next season free. Season from March 15th until July 15th, 1876. Good pasture or stabling furnished at reasonable rates. All accidents or escapes at the risk of owners.

ROBERT DALZELL,

Waddington, N.Y., March 10th, 1876. 238m



Chestnut Hill,

By Rysdyk, out of the Miller mare, by Bully King, son of Geo. M. Patchen, g d by Duroc. Will make the season of 1876 at the same stable. The services of this high bred trotting sire will be held at

\$75 TO INSURE,

\$20 to be paid at time of service.

Terms in other respects the same as those of his sire, Rysdyk.

239-am



Wm. B. Smith,

By Thomas Jefferson, son of Toronto Chief, dam imp. Heatherbloom, by Tally Ho, will make the season of 1876 at the same stable.

\$50 TO INSURE,

\$15 to be paid at time of service.

For durability, stamina, and gameness, this stallion has no superior. His famous sire, Thomas Jefferson, the Black Whirlwind of the East, is one of the fastest trotting stallions in America, having secured for himself in public trial a record of 2:22, winning the stallion purse at the great Buffalo meeting of 1874.

239-am



North America,

By Bombardier, son of imp. Glencoe; dam the Harrison mare, by Defiance, will make the season of 1876 at the same stable;

\$50 TO INSURE,

\$15 to be paid at time of service.

This well-bred horse affords an excellent opportunity to the breeders of this section for obtaining good stock.

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Prescott, March 15, 1876.

of Washhill Chief, Asv and Arctus, full brothers, and of Socrates and Norwood, full brothers, than any other horse now at the stud, that we know of, either in Canada or in the United States. Add to this the Royal blood of imported Margrave, deeply inbred to the great Hznob, derived through the dam of his sire, and you have a combination of the lightest and purest types that may be equalled possibly, but cannot be excelled by that of any trotting sire in the world. AND BLOOD WILL TELL!

TERMS:—\$30 the season, payable 1st Sept. next, or if preferred, \$50 to insure. Season will end 31st July.

All mares owned out of the Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, must be paid for at the time of service or before removal.

Mares will be pastured or stabled carefully, and fed grain, as the owners may desire, at the most reasonable rates. Every care will be taken of mares, but all accidents and escapes must be at the risk of their owners.

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All letters to be addressed,
D. & J. BERGIN,
Stormont Stock Farm,
Cornwall, Ontario.

243-am



Highland,

9 years, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Emily, by Smith's Hambletonian; rich brown, weighs 1,120 pounds; and

ALBION,

5 years, 16 hands, by Mr. James' Highland Boy, Hamilton; golden chestnut, weighs 1,200 pounds. Will make the season at Parkhill and London.

TERMS—Highland, \$30; Albion, \$20; for the season. Mares not proving in foal can be returned next season. For tabulated pedigree, circulars, &c., address J. H. DULMAGE, 242-am

Parkhill, Ont.



YOUNG ERIN CHIEF.

This well bred young trotting stallion will make the season for a limited number of mares at the stable of Mr. Tomlinson, Athlone.

YOUNG ERIN CHIEF, by Erin Chief, dam by Toronto Chief he by Toronto Chief the sire of Thomas Jefferson; 2nd dam the Goodenough mare by St. Lawrence; 3rd dam by Tipple; 4th dam by Tom Kimble.

\$20 to insure; \$12 for season.

M. SINNOTT,
Proprietor.

241-lm.



Frank Allison.

This fine trotting stallion will serve a limited number of mares at the farm of the subscriber, Oak Ridges.

FRANK ALLISON is a beautiful bay, 7 years old, 16 hands, sired by Blackbird, he by Little Cassin, he by Cassius M. Clay, he by Henry Clay, he by Andrew Jackson, he by Young Bashaw, he by Grand Bashaw; dam by the Harris Horse (a Messenger), grand-dam by Gifford's Morgan.

Frank Allison possesses great bone and substance, with fine trotting action. Terms, \$25 to insure; \$10 single leap.

242-am

C. I. DOUGLAS.



FEARNOUGHT CHIEF,

Will make the season of 1876 at Woodstock and vicinity.

FEARNOUGHT CHIEF is a bright golden chestnut, over 16 hands, with great bone and fine trotting action; foaled 1872, sired by Fearnought, Jr., he by old Fearnought, he by Perkins' Young Morrill, he by old Morrill; (See Wallace Am. Trotting Register, Vol. I, pp. 133, 241, Vol. II, p. 206), dam, a fast trotting mare by Toronto Chief, he by old Toronto Chief, the sire of Thomas Jefferson.

JOHN FORBES,
Woodstock, Ont.

239-am



Columbus and Hambletonian STALLION

Warr Hulett.

He is a beautiful bay, black legs, mane and tail; stands 15-3 hands high; foaled in 1861; sired by Woodruff's Columbus; 1st dam by Andrus' Hambletonian (sire of Princess); 2nd dam by Green Mountain Morgan.

HULETT is a natural trotter, and has a record of 2:41, made at Middle Granville, N.Y., during his season of 1874. He is no untried stallion, and is a sure foal getter and the sire of some very fast colts, including Belle of Pawlet, 2:31; Johnson, 2:32; Lady Brown (3 yrs), 2:52; Baby Belle (Jan 8, 1876), 3 yrs old, trotted 3 mile heats in 1:29, 1:27, 1:26; Daniel Drew (4 yrs), 3:45; Sally Brown "Norton Colt," 3 yrs old, ram Drew, Louise Hulett, &c., &c.

HULETT has more Messenger blood in him than any horse in Canada.

TERMS—\$50 the season, secured by note due 1st November, 1876. Mares not proven in foal to be returned free of charge until proven in foal, while I own the horse.

Will stand at the Woodbine Driving Park Toronto, the season of 1876, from 1st May till 1st August—limited to 60 mares.

Send for circular giving extended pedigree and full particulars. Address, James Addison, Hartman P.O., North York. Pasture furnished at reasonable rates to mares bred to Hulett.

239-am

J. ADDISON.



ERIN CHIEF.

This celebrated trotting stallion will make the season of 1876 as follows: Monday, May 1st Newmarket, for noon; Bradford, for night Tuesday, Bondhead, for noon; Schomberg, for night, and remain until Thursday; then to Kingston, for noon; and home to his own stable Aurora, for night, where he will remain till the following Monday. This route to be continued for the season. Terms—Insurance, \$30; season, \$25; single leap, \$20. Single leap, cash at the time of service; season, to be paid last round; insurance, 1st Feb., 1877. Good pasturage and stabling furnished at cheap rates. All accidents at owner's risk.

ERIN CHIEF is a golden chestnut, 15-3, and style of action and appearance is faultless. A stock-getter, he is a great success, as proved by his many and valuable colts. He is sired by Howe's Royal George, he by the Royal George of Buffalo, he by old Royal George, he by Warrior, he by Tipple; dam, Messenger, he by old imported Messenger; grand-dam, Erin Queen, by imported Champion; grand-dam, Sir Henry, g d dam by imported Blacklock; grand-dam, Phantom, he by imported Blacklock; grand-dam, Phantom, he by imported Blacklock. Erin Chief has no superior in the world; 2:30 or better, and is entered as a competitor in the Centennial Exhibition.

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No. 2 - Queen's Plate - 50 guineas - with an undertaking of \$50 each, half forfeit - 50 per cent. of stake to go with plate; balance to second horse. Dash of 1 1/2 miles.

No. 3 - Park Plate - \$375; \$300 to first, 75 to second. Open to all. Dash 1 1/2 miles. Province bred allowed 12 lbs; foreign bred horses wintered in Canada 3 lbs; weight for age.

No. 4 - Province Bred Stakes - \$250; \$200 to first, 50 to second. Half-mile heats; weight for age.

SECOND DAY - THURSDAY, 25th.

No. 5 - City Purse - \$450; \$350 to first, 100 to second. Mile heats, open to all. Dominion bred allowed 12 lbs; foreign bred horses wintered in Canada 3 lbs; winner of Park Stakes 7 lbs extra.

No. 6 - Steeplechase - \$300; \$250 to first, 50 to second. Open to all, about 2 1/2 miles. Heavy water weights.

No. 7 - Ladies' Purse - \$300; \$250 to first, 50 to second. Open to all Province bred horses; mile heats; 7 C.

THIRD DAY - FRIDAY, 26th.

No. 8 - Trotting Race - \$500; \$350 to first, 100 to second, and 50 to third. Open to all horses bred, raised and owned in the Dominion, that never beat three minutes previous to May 1st, 1876.

No. 9 - Trotting Race - \$400; \$300 to first, 70 to second, 30 to third. Open to all horses that never beat 2:40.

FOURTH DAY - SATURDAY, 27th.

No. 10 - Stewards' Plate - \$500; \$400 to first, 100 to second. 1 1/2 miles dash. Open to all. Handicap.

No. 11 - Hunters' Stake - Steeplechase - \$300; \$250 to first, 50 to second, with \$150 added. Open to half-bred horses; gentleman riders, heavy water weights. Second horse to receive \$50 out of the stake; balance to winner. About two miles.

No. 12 - Open Steeplechase - \$500; \$400 to first, 100 to second. Handicap, about 2 1/2 miles. Highest weight 168 lbs. Should highest weight not accept, others will be raised in proportion.

No. 13 - Consolation Purse \$100. Entrance free; dash of 1 mile; handicap for all horses beaten during the meeting.

Rules and Regulations.

Entries to close Wednesday, May 17th, addressed to the Secretary Woodbine Park Association, Box 147, F.O. No entry will be received unless the proper amount of entrance money accompanies the name.

Entrance, ten per cent. on first money only. The handicaps will be half forfeit. Weights will be decided on the morning of Friday, May 26th.

Three or more horses to start. All entries to be made in writing, such entry to specify owner's name, also horse's name, age, color, sex, sex and date, with entrance money, addressed to the Secretary.

Entrance money of horses proved ineligible will be forfeited.

Positive No Condition. Jockeys must appear in proper costume, otherwise they will not be allowed to mount.

Racing to be governed by Dominion rules. Trotting by the National Association.

Trotting to be mile heats, 3 in 5, to harness. Race will start 1:30 sharp, each day.

For full particulars see posters and future advertisements.

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Entries close on June 29. For further particulars see bills, which will appear about June 1st.

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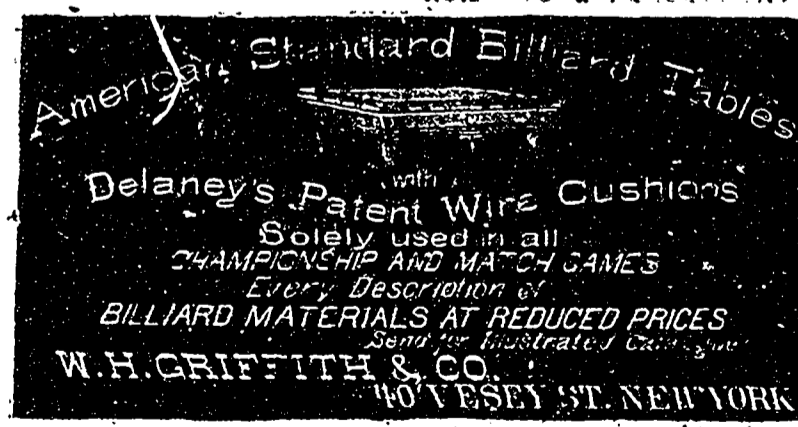
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