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American Turf.

NEW ORLEANS RACES.

New Orleans, April 15, 1876.—The Louisiana Jockey Club spring meeting commenced to-day. The weather was clear and pleasant, the track heavy and the attendance large.

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Third Race.—Purse \$400, first horse \$300, second 75, third 25, for all ages. Two miles. T G Gay's b h Sam Harder, 5 yrs, by Rebel, out of Mary Kimbron, 110 lbs. 1 Mike Welch's ch m c Verdigris, 4 yrs, by Versailles, out of Belle Brandon, 104 lbs. 2 C Peine's ch g Kilburn, 5 yrs, by Ringmaster, out of Ontario, 107 lbs. 3 H Van Liow's ch c Pompey's Pillar, 4 yrs, by Uncle Vic, out of Amanda Buford, 104 lbs. 4 F O Minor's b h Falmouth, aged, by Planet, out of Red Rose, 115 lbs. 5

Second Day, April 18.—First race, 3-mile dash, all ages, won by Verdigris. Time—1:17 1/2.

Second race, 2-mile heats, Volcano won the first heat, Pompey's Pillar taking second and third, and winning the race. Best time—3:42 1/2. Third race, mile dash, won by Kilburn. Time—1:45.

RACING IN CALIFORNIA.

BAY DISTRICT COURSE, SAN FRANCISCO, March 30.—Purse \$1,000, dash of one mile and a half. H. Welch's ch c Chance, 4 yrs, by Venture, dam Annetta. 1 A. S. Gago's ch g Ratio Pease, 6 yrs, by Planet, dam Minnie Mansfield. 2 Time—2:44.

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April 1 & 4.—Purse \$— A F Smith's b g George Treat. 3 3 2 8 1 1 1 W H Cade's br g Dirigo. 2 2 1 1 3 3 2 Budd Doble's Confidence. 1 1 3 2 4 2 ds John Williams' b g Henry. 4 4 4 2 ro Owner's b m Ella Lewis. 5 5 5 5 dis Time—2:29 1/2, 2:29, 2:29 1/2, 2:31, 2:33, 2:30 1/2, 2:30 1/2.

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MY EXPERIENCE WITH TROTTERS.

BY DAN MACE.—EDITED BY J. H. SAUNDERS.

Embracing the Leading Incidents in His Career as a Trainer and Driver, with a Detailed History of the Dispositions, Treatment, and Performances of the Noted Trotters that Have Passed Through His Hands; How They Were Fed, Trained, and Driven; with an Essay on Shoeing Trotters and the Care of the Horse's Foot.

CHAPTER XV.

Commodore Vanderbilt—His Peculiar Disposition—His Feeding, Shoeing and Training—His Races with Toronto Chief, George Wilkes, Lady Emma, and General Butler—Vanderbilt and Clay Trot a Match when "out of Condition"—"Washy" Horses—How to Feed them Before and After a Race.

[From the Spirit of the Times.]

I had the stallion Commodore Vanderbilt in my stable in the fall of 1864, and for two or three years afterwards. He was a rich bay, 15 1/2 hands high, with long flowing mane and tail, and was considered a very handsome horse. He was by Young Columbus, and, I believe, bred near Saratoga by a Mr. Wiggins. When he came to me he was seven years old. I found him a very peculiar horse to train and drive; he had never been properly broken. I first got him of a Mr. Smith, of Mechanicsville, N. Y., and after I drove him a race against Toronto Chief I sold him to Mr. Wm Turnbull, of New York City, for \$10,000. Vanderbilt was a strong, high strung horse, and would often kick very spitefully. He never liked strangers. He was a queer breaker; if he caught in one or two jumps he went off all right, but if you jerked him, or didn't catch him just so, he would hit his gambrels against the axle tree or cross-bar of his sulky, which would cause him to break, jump, and not strike his trot until he had made several "air-breaks." When he settled he would go very fast; and if in a race, and he had got behind, he would close up a gap at an astonishing rate of speed. Tom Cragin had driven him at Saratoga before I had him, and he told me to watch him, and that I must be careful when I stopped him, or else he would catch the bit in his mouth and go right away with me. Cragin also said he was an inveterate "buck jumper." I found that he was some days, just as Cragin said, and if he was yanked and pulled he would act badly; if, when he broke, you let him jump along and humored him, you could do almost anything with him. In training him for Mr. Smith I found him a very improving horse, and that was why I advised Mr. Turnbull to buy him. He was a good horse; all he wanted was kind treatment. He would not stand whipping or abuse. After he had been with me some time he improved every day, and could trot well. After Mr. Turnbull bought him he was offered \$17,500 for him by James Hammill, of Philadelphia, who was negotiating for some parties in this city. At that time, I think, he could trot in 2:25, to a wagon, or I had seen him go that way, harnessed, in 2:26 1/2. I used to drive him with as easy a bit as I could put in his mouth, a plain snaffle, with a piece of chamois wound around it. He was very sensitive about his mouth, and didn't want to be hurt there, and I had to be very particular to have his bit as easy as possible. Sometimes he was a fair breaker, at others he would lunge and plunge like the very mischief. He wore no boots, and was a very clean-going horse, with the exception of striking himself sometimes between his fore legs, owing to his high knee action, which would frighten him, and then he would break. We didn't know then how to prevent this kind of striking, but now we have "bumpers." I think, had the use of those safety-pads or "thumpers" been known at that time that Vanderbilt would have trotted close to 2:20, for he showed me half

have an extra piece of steel welded on to the toes of his hind shoes, and then put a long flat cork lengthways of the shoe, so the bearing would come even when he put his foot on the ground. He wore a ten-ounce shoe forward and a twelve-ounce one behind. Commodore Vanderbilt had never beaten 2:40, I think, before I got him, and the first race I drove him in was over the Fashion Course, October 17, 1864, against Mr. Gilman's Toronto Chief, a big, coarse, brown horse, by Old Royal George, bred in Canada, but a very good trotter, and a capital saddler. This race was mile heats, best 3 in 5, in harness, and was for \$2,000. Mr. Turnbull and Mr. Gilman used to be matching their horses constantly, and for large amounts, and they gave the sporting public plenty of fun about this time, and made things very lively. These two gentlemen would meet at Parker's and make matches to their hearts' content. Dan Puffer drove Toronto. The betting was very heavy, about even, I think. In scoring for the first heat the Commodore was very fast, but flighty, and cut up some. We got away even. Going round the turn the Commodore broke, and the Chief opened a wide gap on me, and was five lengths ahead at the quarter pole; as we went down by the old stand I shut up some of the gap, so that Toronto was only two lengths ahead of me at the half. Going round the turn I sent my horse along, so when we got to the head of the stretch I was only a length behind. I now sent the Commodore so fast that when I got head and head with Toronto he made a break, and I coming on, won the heat by three lengths in 2:34 1/2.

For the second heat I took the lead, my horse never broke, and I won easily in 2:34 1/2. The third heat was trotted in 2:33, and, although faster than the others, was won easily by the Commodore. I think there was another match made to go to wagon and drivers weighing 300 lbs., at this time, but it was never trotted. The Commodore received forfeit from Mr. Gilman's Lady Clifton about this time. November 2, 1864, he also beat her a match for \$1,000, pulling a wagon and driver weighing 250 lbs.

April 23, 1865, the black stallion Henry Clay and Commodore Vanderbilt came together on the Fashion. When a match between these two stallions was first talked of we were willing to trot two races—one in harness and one to wagns—both to come off in June, but the Clay party wouldn't trot for as much money as we were willing to, and wanted to trot at once, so we agreed to trot a race for \$2,000, in harness, mile heats, best 3 in 5, and a few days after this match was made we trotted it. It will be seen that this was a poor race, and all owing to the horses not being in condition, and a glance at the races trotted by these same horses afterwards when in condition, will show quite a contrast to this. Neither had had much work, and both had, I think, been "turned out" during the winter, and consequently were not in a fit to trot. Had both been jogged during the winter, a practice more common at this time than then, a far different race would have resulted. Said it was thought it would be a good race, and there were some bets made that 2:29 would be beaten. The track was good. Tom Cragin first got behind Henry Clay, but the black stallion did not seem to like a track, he kept running when we scored, and finally ran off for half a mile. When he got back Sam McLaughlin got behind Clay, and we got off, after very little scoring, for the first heat. Clay was ahead at the quarter pole a couple of lengths; then I began to gain on him, and got to his wheel at the old stand. Clay then seemed to come back, then Vanderbilt broke, and kept breaking and catching, so on the Flushing end Clay was four lengths ahead. When we got into the stretch Vanderbilt lapped Clay, but a few strides from the wire he broke again, and Clay won the heat by a length in 2:35. The half mile was trotted in 1:14 1/2. Vanderbilt was the favorite when we started for the second heat, as they all thought Clay would quit before three heats were trotted.

and was low in flesh at this time, and not at all "at" himself, consequently he had done very little work. He won the first heat in 2:38 1/2. In the second heat the Commodore broke and Diamond led me a dozen lengths at the half mile post, but I got him to work, and he trotted very fast. No one thought I would go for the heat, but I made Martin "draw his whip" on Diamond and he only beat me out by a head, in 2:38. The third heat I won in 2:35 1/2, and the fourth very easy in 2:38. On the 4th of September Toronto Chief beat Vanderbilt in a "go as you please" race. Toronto went under saddle, with John Murphy in the pig-skin, and Vanderbilt in harness. The match was for \$1,800, and the best time 2:24 1/2. September 16, the Commodore beat Toronto Chief in a match for \$5,000. He pulled a wagon and Toronto went in harness. The race was trotted over the Fashion Course, and the time was 2:31, 2:32 1/2, 2:30 1/2.

September 23, the Commodore and Toronto Chief trotted two-mile heats over the Fashion for \$5,000. The Commodore pulled a wagon and Toronto went in harness. Plenty of people thought the Commodore was a half-mile, but I knew that this was not so, and that he was a pretty game horse. The betting was in favor of Vanderbilt. Toronto Chief had the inside for the first heat, and, although I was behind, I nodded for the word. We went to the quarter pole about two lengths apart. Toronto led under the wire, the first mile, in 2:32. I kept along to the half about the same distance behind. On the Flushing end I went up to the brown station, and at the head of the stretch was only two lengths behind. I then sent the Commodore in for a brush, but he broke, and Toronto won by three or four lengths. The last mile was trotted in 2:35 and the heat in 5:07. The second heat we went off together, but I was ahead at the quarter. Then the Commodore broke, and the brown horse was about three lengths ahead at the half-mile pole. On the Flushing end I got the Commodore up to Toronto's head, then I took the lead, and went under the wire, a length ahead, in 2:35. On the turn I was still further ahead, but on the Flushing end the Commodore went to a break, and Toronto came up with me. At the head of the stretch I found I had the heat, and came on and won easily. The time of the last mile was 2:33, and the heat was trotted in 5:13. The third heat the Chief had the best of the start, and led me two lengths down the backstretch, then the Commodore cut up, and made some of his "air breaks," and the brown stallion was ahead fifty yards before my horse would go to trotting again, but when he settled he went well, and I was only a short distance behind at the stand. The mile was trotted in 2:37 1/2. Going into the second mile my horse trotted fast, and when we got down to the old stand we were head and head. I now drew away from the brown horse; then he broke, tired, and I beat him home. The last mile was trotted in 2:37, and the heat in 5:14 1/2. October 2, Toronto Chief beat the Commodore in their second "go as you please" race, for \$1,800 over the Fashion Toronto was under saddle and the Commodore in harness, but Toronto had to trot in 2:25 1/2, 2:23 1/2, 2:24 1/2 to win. This was a good race.

October 26, the stallion George Wilkes beat the Commodore, over the Union Course, in 2:30 1/2, 2:28, 2:27 1/2. November 6, George Wilkes beat the Commodore again, over the same course. The first heat was won in 2:34 1/2, the second in 2:36, the third in 2:29 1/2 (this was a dead heat) and the fourth in 2:31 1/2. Thursday November 16, 1865, there was a great gathering at DeBois' half mile track. General Grant reviewed all the trotting. Among the celebrated horses shown on this occasion were Flora Temple, driven by Mr. James D. McMann, Dexter, George Wilkes, The Auburn Horse, General Butler, Lady Emma, Toronto Chief, Peerless, Lantern, Rattlesnake, Brunette, and Ella Sherwood. I drove Commodore Vanderbilt to a road wagon, and he showed remarkable speed going through the stretches, and looked very fine. Commodore Vanderbilt's best time was made

Lacrosse.

The London Club will send a team to the Centennial Exhibition this summer, where a match with an Indian twelve will be arranged.

The Young Excelsiors, of Brampton, held a meeting last week when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, H. Blain; Captain, W. Beck; Secretary, T. Ballantyne; Treasurer, W. Peaker.

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Etna club (junior champions) held at their club rooms, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Mr. J. Ball, Hon. President; Wm. Thomson, President; L. Haguo, Vice-President; J. Wright, Captain; A. Carran, Secretary and Treasurer; D. Burns, J. Smith, L. Haguo, Bart Bennett, and A. Sutherland, Committee. The Etnas anticipate a most successful season.

The semi-annual meeting of the Toronto Ontario Lacrosse Club took place in the Temperance Hall. A large number were present. The following were elected officers for this year:—President, Major W. Arthur; Vice-President, Jas. Carruthers; Captain, John P. Scholcs; Secretary, Ross Mackenzie; Treasurer, H. J. Brown; Committee, F. Johnson, W. Rough, F. Sullivan, C. Larcoe, D. Patterson, T. Brown, C. V. Warmoll.

Mr. Massiah, whose long connection with journalism in Montreal is well known, has been engaged by the lacrosse team as advance agent to England, and left on the 16th inst. in company with Mr. G. W. Beers, the Captain. We have no doubt from Mr. Massiah's intelligence and business qualities that he will perform his duties satisfactorily, and contribute by his excellent arrangements to the success of the team. He is parted with by his colleagues of the press with regret, but in hope of seeing him back again to the land of his adoption. The Canada fours. We heartily wish him bon voyage.

Miscellaneous.

FOXES.—Messrs. Jerry Hoffman and J. S. Saunders, of St. Thomas, recently went out on a hunt and captured 11 foxes.

The report of Mr. Whitaker, the Commissioner of Fisheries, to the department, contains many facts proving the beneficial effects of protecting fish, and also the damage done by over fishing either under the present regulation or in contravention of the law. Mr. S. Wilmet also gave an interesting account of the extensive operations that are being carried on successfully in pisciculture.

EXCELSIORS BOAT CLUB OF DETROIT, MICH.—The annual meeting of this club was held last week at the Michigan Exchange. The annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer proved highly satisfactory. The financial condition of the club is very strong, they showing a balance in the treasury of \$6,490 73. The active membership is 52. The following officers were elected: President, Frank W. Eddy; Vice-President, C. D. Waterman; Secretary and Treasurer, W. C. Stoepel; Captain, W. B. Isbell; Command er, J. B. Molony; Lieut. Commander, Hugh W. Dyer; Ensign, C. A. Brock; Board of Managers—E. Telfer, W. B. Hawk, F. E. Farnsworth, Jas. Johnston, Member of Executive Committee of N. W. A. B. Association, W. L. Baker, Detroit River Navy Delegate, W. C. Waterman. The club will send two crews to the Centennial and a few more. The boys have had a chance as yet for practice, as the river is still full of ice.

A disgusting exhibition in the shape of a pro fight took place on Thursday last at Becker Park, Montreal. One of the combatants is named Honey, but the other name we could not recall.

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TROTTING IN NASHVILLE.

NASHVILLE, TENN., April 8.—Purse \$500; \$350 to first, 150 to second. W A Crawford's b m Annie Collins. 1 1 2 1 Cliff Porter's b m Kate Campbell. 2 2 1 2 Dan Hull's b g Barney Kelley. 3 3 3 3 Time—2:31½, 2:31½, 2:28½, 2:29½.

THE LAST OF DIAVOLO.—This well-known steeplechaser has been destroyed in consequence of his injuries received last Fall becoming worse and resulting in paralysis. At the Jerome Park extra meeting in November, Diavolo jumped short at the water jump, and striking his hind feet into the bank below the strip of concrete, pulled up on three legs, his off hind ankle having given way completely. For some time Mr. Geo. Ayres had hopes of the horse getting round again, but the injuries proved more serious than anticipated. Without doubt Diavolo was one of the, if not the, best steeplechasers we ever had in this country.

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CHAPTER XV. Commodore Vanderbilt—His Peculiar Disposition—His Feeding, Shoeing and Training—His Races with Toronto Chief, George Wilkes, Lady Emma, and General Butler—Vanderbilt and Clay Trot a Match when "out of Condition"—"Washy" Horses—How to Feed them Before and After a Race.

[From the Spirit of The Times.]

I had the stallion Commodore Vanderbilt in my stable in the fall of 1864, and for two or three years afterwards. He was a rich bay, 15½ hands high, with long flowing mane and tail, and was considered a very handsome horse. He was by Young Columbus, and, I believe, bred near Saratoga by a Mr. Wiggins. When he came to me he was seven years old. I found him a very peculiar horse to train and drive; he had never been properly broken. I first got him of a Mr. Smith, of Mechanicsville, N. Y., and after I drove him a race against Toronto Chief I sold him to Mr. Wm. Turnbull, of New York City, for \$10,000. Vanderbilt was a strong, high strung horse, and would often kick very spitefully. He never liked strangers. He was a queer breaker; if he caught in one or two jumps he went off all right, but if you jerked him, or didn't catch him just so, he would hit his gambrels against the axle tree or cross-bar of his sulky, which would cause him to break, jump, and not strike his trot until he had made several "air-breaks." When he settled he would go very fast; and if in a race, and he had got behind, he would close up a gap at an astonishing rate of speed. Tom Cragin had driven him at Saratoga before I had him, and he told me to watch him, and that I must be careful when I stopped him, or else he would catch the bit in his mouth and go right away with me. Cragin also said he was an inveterate "back jumper." I found that he was some days, just as Cragin said, and if he was yanked and pulled he would act badly; if, when he broke, you let him jump along and humored him, you could do almost anything with him. In training him for Mr. Smith I found him a very improving horse, and that was why I advised Mr. Turnbull to buy him. He was a good horse; all he wanted was kind treatment. He would not stand whipping or abuse. After he had been with me some time he improved every day, and could trot well. After Mr. Turnbull bought him he was offered \$17,500 for him by James Hemmill, of Philadelphia, who was negotiating for some parties in this city. At that time, I think, he could trot in 2:25, to a wagon, or I had seen him go that way, harness ed, in 2:26½. I used to drive him with as easy a bit as I could put in his mouth, a plain snaffle, with a piece of chamois wound around it. He was very sensitive about his mouth, and didn't want to be hurt there, and I had to be very particular to have his bit as easy as possible. Sometimes he was a fair breaker, at others he would lunge and plunge like the very mischievous. He wore no boots, and was a very clean-going horse, with the exception of striking himself sometimes between his fore legs, owing to his high knee action, which would frighten him, and then he would break. We didn't know then how to prevent this kind of striking but now we have "bumpers." I think, had the use of these safety-pads or "thumpers" been known at that time that Vanderbilt would have trotted close to 2:20, for he showed me half miles (last ones too) in 1:10 in some of his races. I used to feed him eight quarts of corn and oats, when I had him at work, as he was not a very hearty feeder, and some days I would give him only five or six quarts, but of hay he always got all he would eat, he seldom or ever needed mash. I used to work him to a wagon more than in harness. After I had used him to an ordinary sulky while I found that he often struck his gambrels against the cross-bar or axletree when he broke, and I had to have his wagons and sulkies made especially for him. Before that he would sometimes raise a sulky clear off the ground. I had one made with the axletree arched, and the shafts hung five inches higher than usual; this gave him room when he made his "air breaks," which I have spoken of. Striking himself frightened him terribly. It was dangerous business to drive him to an ordinary sulky.

Vanderbilt needed very little jogging, but considerable work at a 2:35 or 2:40 gait. The reason why I sent him up to speed so seldom in his work was that he would strike himself between his forelegs until he was sore there, and that would always make him act badly. It was necessary to shoe him very carefully behind, on account of the crookedness of his hind legs. He had a habit of walking on his hind toes, and twisting them at every step he took. I used to

derbilt had never beaten 2:40, I think, before I got him, and the first race I drove him in was over the Fashion Course, October 17, 1864, against Mr. Gilman's Toronto Chief, a big, coarse, brown horse, by Old Royal George, bred in Canada, but a very good trotter, and a capital saddler. This race was mile heats, best 3 in 5, in harness, and was for \$3,000. Mr. Turnbull and Mr. Gilman used to be watching their horses constantly, and for large amounts, and they gave the sporting public plenty of fun about this time, and made things very lively. These two gentlemen would meet at Parker's and make matches to their hearts' content. Dan Pifer drove Toronto. The betting was very heavy, about even, I think. In scoring for the first heat the Commodore was very fast, but slightly, and out up some. We got away even. Going round the turn the Commodore broke, and the Chief opened a wide gap on me, and was five lengths ahead at the quarter pole; as we went down by the old stand I shut up some of the gap, so that Toronto was only two lengths ahead of me at the half. Going round the turn I sent my horse along, so when we got to the head of the stretch I was only a length behind. I now sent the Commodore so fast that when I got head and head with Toronto he made a break, and I coming on, won the heat by three lengths in 2:34½.

For the second heat I took the lead, my horse never broke, and I won easily in 2:34½. The third heat was trotted in 2:33½, and, although faster than the others, was won easily by the Commodore. I think there was another match made to go to wagon and drivers weighing 300 lbs., at this time, but it was never trotted. The Commodore received forfeit from Mr. Gilman's Lady Clifton about this time. November 2, 1864, he also beat her a match for \$1,000, pulling a wagon and driver weighing 256 lbs.

April 28, 1865, the black stallion Henry Clay and Commodore Vanderbilt came together on the Fashion. When a match between these two stallions was first talked of we were willing to trot two races—one in harness and one to wagons—both to come off in June, but the Clay party wouldn't trot for as much money as we were willing to, and wanted to trot at once, so we agreed to trot a race for \$2,000, in harness, mile heats, best 3 in 5, and a few days after this match was made we trotted it. It will be seen that this was a poor race, and all owing to the horses not being in condition, and a glance at the races trotted by these same horses afterwards when in condition, will show quite a contrast to this. Neither had had much work, and both had, I think, been "turned out" during the winter, and consequently were not in a fit to trot. Had both been jogged during the winter, a practice more common at this time than then, a far different race would have resulted. But it was thought it would be a good race, and there were some bets made that 2:29 would be beaten. The track was good. Tom Cragin first got behind Henry Clay, but the black stallion did not seem to like a track, he kept running when we scored, and finally ran off for half a mile. When he got back Sam McLaughlin got behind Clay, and we got off, after very little scoring, for the first heat. Clay was ahead at the quarter pole a couple of lengths; then I began to gain on him, and got to his wheel at the old stand. Clay then seemed to come back, then Vanderbilt broke, and kept breaking and catching, so on the Flushing end Clay was four lengths ahead. When we got into the stretch Vanderbilt lapped Clay, but a few strides from the wire he broke again, and Clay won the heat by a length in 2:35. The half mile was trotted in 1:14½. Vanderbilt was the favorite when we started for the second heat, as they all thought Clay would quit before three heats were trotted. We went off together. Clay led at the quarter pole; he then broke and ran to near the half-mile pole, but I was only a length or so behind, even then. When Clay caught we trotted head and head, then he drew ahead and crossed the score first. The judges gave me the heat owing to the long run Clay had put in. The time announced was 2:35½, but our trotting rules now, under such circumstances, would bar any time being given. Five to one offered on Vanderbilt. The third heat Clay led to the quarter pole three lengths, but he was only a length ahead at the half. Clay seemed to die out here, and quit badly, so at the very wire I beat him. Time, 2:38. The fourth heat Clay led to the half-mile pole, then I passed him and took the lead, but Vanderbilt broke soon after, and took some revolutions which gave Clay a big lead, and he won the heat in 2:40. The fifth heat Clay was ahead at the quarter, then I went up to him and we had a head and head to the stretch. Clay kept on, and, although I fought it out all the way, he won by a neck in 2:40½.

July 27, 1865, the Commodore distanced Henry Clay the first heat in 2:29½, paying him back with interest for defeating him in April. June 21, 1865, the Commodore trotted a match for \$2,000 against Black Diamond, over the Fashion pulling a wagon, and Black Diamond going in harness. The Commodore had been quite sick,

but I made Martin draw his whip on Diamond and he only beat me out by a head, in 2:38. The third heat I won in 2:35½, and the fourth very easy in 2:38. On the 4th of September Toronto Chief beat Vanderbilt in a "go as you please" race. Toronto went under saddle, with John Murphy in the pig-skin, and Vanderbilt in harness. The match was for \$1,800, and the best time 2:24½. September 16, the Commodore beat Toronto Chief in a match for \$5,000. He pulled a wagon and Toronto went in harness. The race was trotted over the Fashion Course, and the time was 2:31, 2:32½, 2:30½.

September 23, the Commodore and Toronto Chief trotted two-mile heats over the Fashion for \$5,000. The Commodore pulled a wagon and Toronto went in harness. Plenty of people thought the Commodore was a half-mile, but I knew that this was not so, and that he was a pretty game horse. The betting was in favor of Vanderbilt. Toronto Chief had the inside for the first heat, and, although I was behind, I dodged for the word. We went to the quarter pole about two lengths apart. Toronto led under the wire, the first mile, in 2:52. I kept along to the half about the same distance behind. On the Flushing end I went up to the brown station, and at the head of the stretch was only two lengths behind. I then sent the Commodore in for a brush, but he broke, and Toronto won by three or four lengths. The last mile was trotted in 2:35 and the heat in 5:07. The second heat we went off together, but I was ahead at the quarter. Then the Commodore broke, and the brown horse was about three lengths ahead at the half-mile pole. On the Flushing end I got the Commodore up to Toronto's head, then I took the lead, and went under the wire, a length ahead, in 2:35. On the turn I was still further ahead, but on the Flushing end the Commodore went to a break, and Toronto came up with me. At the head of the stretch I found I had the lead, and came on and won easily. The time of the last mile was 2:35, and the heat was trotted in 5:13. The third heat the Chief had the best of the start, and led me two lengths down the backstretch, then the Commodore cut up, and made some of his "air breaks," and the brown stallion was ahead fifty yards before my horse would go to trotting again, but when he settled he went well, and I was only a short distance behind at the stand. The mile was trotted in 2:37½. Going into the second mile my horse trotted fast, and when we got down to the old stand we were head and head. I now drew away from the brown horse, then he broke, tired, and I beat him home. The last mile was trotted in 2:37, and the heat in 5:14½. October 2, Toronto Chief beat the Commodore in their second "go as you please" race, for \$1,800 over the Fashion. Toronto was under saddle and the Commodore in harness, but Toronto had to trot in 2:25½, 2:23½, 2:24½ to win. This was a good race.

October 26, the stallion George Wilkes beat the Commodore over the Union Course, in 2:30½, 2:28, 2:27½. November 6, George Wilkes beat the Commodore again, over the same course. The first heat was won in 2:34½, the second in 2:30, the third in 2:29½ (this was a dead heat), and the fourth in 2:31½.

Thursday, November 16, 1865, there was a great gathering at Dubois' half-mile track. General Grant reviewed all the trotters. Among the celebrated horses shown on this occasion were Flora Temple, driven by Mr. James D. McMann, Dexter, George Wilkes, The Auburn Horse, General Butler, Lady Emma, Toronto Chief, Peerless, Lantern, Rattlesnake, Brunette, and Ella Sherwood. I drove Commodore Vanderbilt to a road wagon, and he showed remarkable speed going through the stretches, and looked very fine.

Commodore Vanderbilt's best time was made over the Union Course, June 12, 1866, trotting against General Butler and Lady Emma. The Commodore won the first heat in 2:25, Lady Emma the second and fifth in 2:27½ and 2:29, and Butler the third, fourth, sixth and race in 2:27—2:28—2:32. Commodore Vanderbilt was sold some years since, and is now in the stud in the Western country.

WILD HORSE HUNT IN COLORADO.—Hon. W. E. Beck, Captain Wall, Judge Owens, and Captain Tyler, with a party of friends of Boulder County, Col., propose to take a grand horse hunt on the plains soon. The numerous bands of wild horses are getting so troublesome, that the frontier settlers have to shoot them for self protection. Whenever they get near a settlement they press over horse, mule, and pony that is not secured, and have in this way accumulated into bands of from 20 to 150, awaiting to be enterprised and fighting abilities of the stallion in charge of each band, who is general-in-chief, and directs every movement of it. If two bands come together, the stallions march out and commence a fight that determines who has both bands.

The Young Excelsiors, of Brampton, held a meeting last week when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.—President, R. Main, Captain, W. Beck, Secretary, F. Ballantyne, Treasurer, W. Peaker.

At the annual meeting of the Toronto Etna club (junior champions) held at their club rooms, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.—Mr. J. Hall, Hon. President, Wm. Thomson, President, L. Hague, Vice-President, J. Wright, Captain, A. Carran, Secretary and Treasurer, D. Burns, J. Smith, L. Hague, Burt Bennett, and I. A. Sutherland, Committee. The Etnas anticipate a most successful season.

The semi-annual meeting of the Toronto Ontario Lacrosse Club took place in the Temperance Hall. A large number were present. The following were elected officers for this year.—Lieutenant, Major W. Arthur, Vice-President, Jas. Carruthers, Captain, John F. Scholes, Secretary, Ross Mackenzie, Treasurer, H. J. Brown, Committee, F. Johnson, W. Rough, F. Sullivan, C. Varcoe, D. Patterson, T. Brown, C. V. Warmoll.

Mr. Masiah, whose long connection with journalism in Montreal is well known, has been engaged by the lacrosse team as advance agent to England, and left on the 15th inst. in company with Mr. G. W. Beers, the Captain. We have no doubt from Mr. Masiah's intelligence and business qualities that he will perform his duties satisfactorily, and contribute by his excellent arrangements to the success of the team. He is parted with by his colleagues of the press with regret, but in hope of seeing him back again to the land of his adoption. "This Canada of ours." We heartily wish him bon voyage.

Miscellaneous.

Fishes.—Messrs Jerry Hoffman and J. Saunders of St Thomas recently went out for a hunt and captured 11 fishes.

The report of Mr. Whitcher, the Commissioner of Fisheries, to the department, contains many facts proving the beneficial effects of protecting fish, and also the damage done by over fishing either under the present regulation or in contravention of the law. Mr. S. Wilnot also gave an interesting account of the extensive operations that are being carried on successfully in pisciculture.

EXCELSIOR BOAT CLUB OF DETROIT, MICH. The annual meeting of this club was held last week at the Michigan Exchange. The annual reports of the Secretary and Treasurer proved highly satisfactory. The financial condition of the club is very strong, they showing a balance in the treasury of \$6,490 73. The active membership is 52. The following officers were elected.—President, Frank W. Edly, Vice-President, C. D. Waterman, Secretary and Treasurer, W. C. Stoepel, Captain, W. B. Ishell, Commanding, J. B. Molony, Lieut. Commander, Hugh W. Dyer, Ensign, C. A. Dean, Board of Managers.—E. Teller, W. R. Hawk, F. E. Farnsworth, Jas. Johnston; Member of Executive Committee, N. W. A. B. Association, W. L. Baker, Detroit River Navy Delegate, W. C. Waterman. The club will send two crews to the Centennial, a six and a four oared. The boys have had a chance as yet for practice, as the river is still full of ice.

A disgusting exhibition in the shape of a prize fight took place on Thursday last at Exeter Park, Montreal. One of the combatants is named Honey, but the other name we could not learn.

CURLING.—A challenge curling match was played at Pembroke last week between Mr. Jas Stewart and Mr. Loucks resulting in a victory for the latter, on a score of 10 to 4. It was the last match of the season.

A new club has just been organized on the American side called The Niagara Falls Junior Shooting Club, having for its object, among other things, the restraining and preventing the younger sportsmen of the community from unlawfully shooting game in the close season. The officers are: H. Shindon, President, H. Sully, Jr., Secretary, and Jas. H. Evans, Treasurer. There are ten members at present and their ages between 18 and 21 years; they hope to show a good record in the field during the hunting season as well as at the trap.

The celebrated trotting stallion King master, one of the most valuable horses in Tennessee, belonging to Maj. Hugh D. Greer, six miles from Memphis, was killed while attempting to jump a picket fence, one of the pickets penetrating his breast arteries, and producing almost instant death. Kingmaster was a Messenger horse, and a champion mare. He was bred in Orange Co., N. Y., where he was originally sold for \$5,000.

## THE BLACK MARE.

A Story of Punchestown Races.

## CHAPTER VI.

CUTTING FOR PARTNERS.

(Continued.)

Satanella seemed tired and abstracted. "Uncle Jack's" jokes fell pointless on her ear. When St. Josephs could at last think of something to say, she bent her head kindly enough, but persistently refused to accept or understand his tender allusions, interesting herself, then, and then only, in the business of the stage. In sheer self-defence, the General felt obliged to do the same.

The house roared with laughter. A celebrated low comedian was running up and down before the foot-lights in shirt and drawers. The scene represented a bed-room at an inn. The actor rang his bell, tripped over his coal scuttle, finally upset his water-jug. Everybody went into convulsions, and St. Josephs found himself thinking of the immortal Pickwick, who "envied the facility with which the friends of Mr. Peter Magnus were amused." Turning to his tormentor, he observed the place by her side no longer vacant, and its occupant was—Daisy!

Mischievous Mrs. Lushington had "asked a man," you see, and this was the man she asked.

Captious, jealous, sensitive, because he really cared for her, St. Josephs' vexation seemed out of all proportion to its cause. He felt it would have relieved him intensely to "have it out" with Miss Douglas—to scold her, take her to task, reproach her roundly—and for what? She had never asked Daisy to come, she had not kept a seat for him at her elbow. From her flushed cheek, her bright smile, it could not but be inferred that this was an unexpected meeting a delightful surprise.

Calm and imperturbable, Daisy settled himself as if he were sitting by his grandmother. Not till he had smoothed his moustache, buttoned his gloves, and adjusted his glasses, did he find time to inform Miss Douglas "that he knew she would be here, but did not think she could have got away from dinner so soon; that the house was hot, the stalls were uncomfortable, and this thing was not half bad fun if you'd never seen it before." The General, cursing him for "a cub," wondered she could find anything in such conversation to provoke a smile on that proud beautiful face.

What was it she whispered behind her fan?—the fan he loved to hold because of the fragrance it seemed to breathe from her. He scarcely knew whether to be relieved or irritated when he overheard certain questions as to the progress of the black mare. It vexed him to think these two should have a common interest, should find it so engrossing, should talk about it so low. Why couldn't they attend to the farce they had come on purpose to see?

Mrs. Lushington, although she must have been surfeited with that unmeaning and rather tiresome admiration which such ladies find floating in abundance on the surface of London society, was yet ready at all times to accept fresh homage, add another captive to the net she dragged so diligently through smooth and troubled waters alike. Till the suggestion came from her friend, it had never occurred to her that the General was worth capturing. She began now in the usual way.

"What a number of pretty women!" she whispered, "Don't you think so, General? I haven't seen as much beauty under one roof since Lady Scavenger's ball."

Abstracted though he was, her companion had those habits of society which of all others seem to be second nature, so he answered: "There are only two pretty women in the house as far as I see; and they asked me to come to the play with them to-night."

She had a fascinating way of looking down and up again, very quick, with a glance, half shy, half funny, but altogether deadly. Even her preoccupied neighbor felt its influence, while she replied:—

"You say so because you think all women are vain, and like to be flattered, and have no heart. It only shows how little you know us. Do you mean to tell me," she added, in a lighter tone, "that's not a pretty girl in the second row there, with a mauve ribbon through her hair?"

She was pretty, and he thought so; but St. Josephs, being an old soldier in more senses than one, observed sententiously:—

"Wants coloring—too pale—too sandy, and I should say freckled by daylight."

"We all know you admire dark beauties," retorted the lady, "or you wouldn't be here now."

"You're not a dark beauty," returned the ready General; "and I knew you were coming too."

"That's too speak it all," said she, with another of her knowing glances. "Hark! you

more to be said. I must leave the regiment. 'Soldier Bill' gets the troop; and I am simply chewed up."

"Oh, Daisy," she exclaimed earnestly, "how much would it take to set you straight?"

Mr. Walters worked an imaginary sum on the gloved fingers of his right hand, carried over a balance of liabilities to his left, looked as grave as he could, and replied, briefly: "Two thou—would tide me over. It would take three to pull me through."

Her face fell, and the rich color faded in her cheek. He did not notice her vexation; for the crisis of the farce had now arrived, and the stage was crowded with all its *dramatis personae*, tumbling each other about in the intensely humorous dilemma of a hunt for the traveller's clothes; but he did remark how grave and sorrowful was her "good night," while she took the General's proffered arm with an alacrity extremely gratifying to that low-stricken veteran. She had never before seemed so womanly, so tender, so confiding. St. Josephs, pressing her elbow very cautiously against her beating heart, almost fancied the pressure returned. He was sure her hand had clung longer than usual in his clasp when the time came to say "Good-bye."

In spite of a headache and certain angry twinges of rheumatism, this gallant officer had never felt so happy in his life.

## CHAPTER VII.

GETTING ON.

Outside the theatre the pavement was dry, the air seemed frosty, and the moon shone bright and cold. With head down, hands in pockets, and a large cigar in his mouth, Daisy meditated gravely enough on the untoward changes a lowered temperature might produce in his own fortunes. Hard ground would put a stop to Satanella's gallops, and the horses trained in Ireland—where it seldom freezes—would have an un-speakable advantage. Thinking of the black mare somehow reminded him of Miss Douglas, and pacing thoughtfully along Pall Mall, he recalled their first meeting, tracing through many an hour of sunshine and lamplight the links that had riveted their intimacy and made them fast friends.

It was about two years ago—though it seemed like yesterday—that, driving the regimental coach to Ascot, he had stopped his team with considerable risk at an awkward turn on the Heath, to make room for her pony-carriage; a courtzney soon followed by an introduction in the enclosure, not without many thanks and acknowledgements from the fair charioteer and her companion. He could remember how she kept him talking till it was too late to back Judæus for the Cup, and recalled his own vexation when that gallant animal galloped freely in, to the delight of the chosen people.

He had not forgotten how she asked him to call on her in London, nor how he went riding with her in the morning, meeting her at balls and parties by night, inaugurating a picnic at Hampton Court for her especial benefit, while always esteeming her the nicest girl out, and the best horse-woman in the world. He would have liked her to be his sister, or his sister-in-law; but of marrying her himself, the idea never entered Daisy's head. Thinking of her now he could "put her on" for a good stake, and send her back their mutual favorite none the worse in limbs or temper for the great race he hoped to win!

All Light Dragoons are not equally susceptible, and Mr. Walters was a difficult subject, partly from his active habits of mind and body, partly from the energy with which he threw himself into the business of the moment whatever it might be.

Satanella's work, her shoeing, her feed, her water, were such engrossing topics now, that, but for her connection with the mare, the lady from whom that animal took its name would have had no chance of occupying a place in his thoughts. He had got back to the probability of frost, and the possibility of making a tan-gallop, when he turned out of St. James's street into one of those pleasant haunts where men congregate after nightfall to smoke and talk, accosting each other with the easy good-fellowship that springs from community of tastes, and generous dinners washed down with rosy wine.

Notwithstanding the time of year, a member in his shirt-sleeves was sprawling over the billiard-table; a dozen more were sprinkled about the room. Acclamations, less loud than earnest, greeted Daisy's entrance, and tumbler of cunning drinks were raised to her lips, in mute but hearty welcome.

"You young beggar, you've made me miss my stroke!" exclaimed the billiard player, failing egregiously to score an obvious and easy hazard. "Daisy, you're always in the way, and you're always welcome. But what are you doing of the Shires in such weather as this?"

"Daisy never cared a hang for hunting," said a tall stout man on the sofa. "He's

to go faster than a Paddy driving a pig. That's why I've never been paying you a visit."

"D—n your impudence!" was all the other could find breath to retort, adding, after a pause of admiration, "What a beggar it is to chaff! But I won't let you off all the same. Come to me directly after Northampton. It's right in your way home."

"Nothing I should like better," answered Daisy. "But it can't be done. I'm due at Punchestown on the seventeenth, and I ought to be in Ireland at least a fortnight before the race."

"At Punchestown!" exclaimed half a dozen voices. "There's something up! You've got a good thing, cut and dried. It's no use Daisy! Tell us all about it!"

Walters turned from one to another with an expression of innocent surprise. He looked as if he had never heard of a steeple-chase in his life.

"I don't know what you fellows call 'a good thing,'" said he. "When I drop into one I'll put you all on, you may be sure. No. I must be at Punchestown simply because I've got to ride there."

"I'm sorry for the nag," observed the billiard-player, who had finished (and lost) his game. "What is it?"

"She's a mare none of you ever heard of," answered Daisy. "They call her Satanella. She can gallop a little, I think."

"Is she going for this new handicap?" asked a shrill voice out of a cloud of tobacco smoke in the corner.

"It's her best chance, if she ever comes to the post," replied Daisy. "They're crushing weights though, and the course is over four miles."

"Back her, me boy! And I'll stand in with ye!" exclaimed an Irish peer, handsome in spite of years, jovial in spite of gout, good-hearted in spite of fashion, and good-humored in spite of everything. "Is she an Irish-bred one? Roscommon did ye say? Ah, now, back for a monkey, and I'll go ye halves! We'll let them see how they do't in Kildare!"

Daisy would have liked nothing better; but people do not lay "monkeys" on steeple-chases at one o'clock in the morning. Nevertheless curiosity had been excited about Satanella, and his cross-examination continued.

"Is she a thoroughbred?" asked a cornet of the household cavalry, whose simple creed for man and beast, or rather horse and woman, was summed up in the two articles—blood and good looks.

"Thoroughbred?" repeated Daisy thoughtfully. "Her sire is I'm sure, and she's out of a 'Connemara mare,' as they say in Ireland, whatever that may be."

"I know," observed the peer, with a wink. "Ah, ye devil, ye've got your lesson perfect annyhow."

"Do you want to back her?" asked a tall, thin man, who had hitherto kept silence, drawing at the same time a very business-like betting-book from his breast-pocket.

"You ought to lay long odds," answered Daisy. "The race will fill well. There are sure to be a lot of starters, and no end of falls. Hang it! I suppose I am bound to have something on. I'll tell you what. I'll take twelve to one in hundreds—there!"

"I'll lay you ten," said the other.

"Done!" replied Daisy. "A thousand to a hundred." And he entered it methodically in his book, looking round, pencil in mouth, to know "if anybody would do it again?"

"I'll lay you eight to one in ponies," Daisy nodded, and put down the name of the billiard-player. "And I in tens!" exclaimed another. "And I don't mind laying you seven!" screamed a shrill voice from the corner, "if you have it in fifties." Whereat Daisy shook his head, but accepted the offer nevertheless, ere he shut up his book, observing calmly that "he was full now, and must have something more to drink."

"And who does this mare belong to?" asked a man who had just come in. "It's a queer game, steeplechasing, even with gentlemen up. I like to know something about owners before I back my little fancy, for or against."

"Well, she's more mine than anybody else's," answered Daisy, buttoning his overcoat to depart. "There's only one thing certain about her, and that is—she'll start if she's alive, and she'll win if she can!"

With these words he disappeared through the swing-doors into the empty street, walking leisurely homeward, with the contented step of one who has done a good day's work, and earned his repose.

In Piccadilly he met a drunken woman; in Curzon Street, a single policeman; in Audley Square a libertine cat darted swiftly and noiselessly across his path. Working steadily northward, he perceived another passenger on the opposite side of the way. Passing under a lamp, this figure, in spite of hat pushed down and collar pulled up, proved to be none other than St. Josephs, wrapped in a brown study, and proceeding as slowly as if it was the hottest night in June.

"Now what can he be up to?" thought

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"The experience of St. Josephs had taught him it is well to let these lively fish run out plenty of line before they are checked, so he bowed, and said, "He hoped she had found something in which he could be of use."

"Use!" repeated the lady. "Then, you want me to think you consider yourself more useful than ornamental. General, I should like to know if you are the least bit vain."

"A little, perhaps, of your taking me up," he added, laughing; "of nothing else, I think, in the world."

She stole a sly glance at him from under her eyelashes, none the less effective that these had been darkened before she came down. "And yet, I am sure, you might be," she said softly, with something of a sigh.

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CLARA L.—

"You musn't forget you dine here. Nobody but ourselves, Uncle John, the two Gordon girls (Bessie has grown so pretty), and Daisy Walters, who starts for Ireland to-morrow. As soon after eight as you can."

Then she rang the bell, and sent off her note with directions for its immediate transmission. Henry must take it at once. If Miss Douglas was not at home, let him find out where she had gone, and follow her. There was no answer. Only he must be quite sure he got it;—and pretty Mrs. Lushington sank back on her sofa, with the pleasing reflection that she had done what she called "a neat stroke of business, vigorous, conclusive, and compromising nobody if it was ever found out."

She saw her way now clearly enough. On Satanella's refusal of her veteran admirer, she calculated as surely as on her acceptance of an invitation to meet Daisy at dinner, particularly with so dangerous a competitor as Bessie Gordon in the field. That last touch she considered worthy of her diplomacy. But, judging by herself, she was of opinion that Miss Douglas would so modify her negative as to retain the General in the vicinity of her charms, contemplating from day to day the fair prospect that was never to be his own. In such an ignominious state men are to be caught on the rebound, and he must ere long prove an easy victim to her kinder fascinations, take his place, submissively enough, with the other captives in the train of his conqueror. It would be very nice, she thought, to secure him, and after that she could turn her attention to Daisy, for Mrs. Lushington was never so happy as when she had succeeded in detaching a gentleman from the lady of his affections, if, in so doing, she inflicted on the latter the sorrow of a wounded spirit and the pain of a vexed heart.

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Calm and unperceivable, Daisy settled herself as if she were sitting by his grand-mother. Not till he had smoothed his moustache, buttoned his gloves, and adjusted his glasses, did he find time to inform Miss Douglas that he knew she would be here, but did not think she could have got away from dinner so soon; that the house was hot, the stalks were uncomfortable, and this thing was not half bad fun if you'd never seen it before. The General, cursing him for "a cub," wondered she could find anything in such conversation to provoke a smile on that proud beautiful face.

What was it she whispered behind her fan?—the fan he loved to hold because of the fragrance it seemed to breathe from her. He scarcely knew whether to be relieved or irritated when he overheard certain questions as to the progress of the black mare. It vexed him to think these two should have a common interest, should find it so engrossing, should talk about it so low. Why couldn't they attend to the horses they had come on purpose to see?

Mrs. Lushington, although she must have been surfeited with that unmeasuring and rather tiresome admiration which such ladies find flouting in abundance on the surface of London society, was yet ready at all times to accept fresh homage, add another captive to the net she dugged so diligently through smooth and troubled waters alike. Till the suggestion came from her friend, it had never occurred to her that the General was worth capturing. She began now in the usual way.

"What a number of pretty women!" she whispered, "Don't you think so, General? I haven't seen as much beauty under one roof since Lady Scavenger's ball."

Abstracted though he was, her companion had those habits of society which of all others seem to be second nature, so he answered: "There are only two pretty women in the house as far as I see; and they asked me to come to the play with them to-night."

She had a fascinating way of looking down and up again, very quick, with a glance, half shy, half funny, but altogether deadly. Even her preoccupied neighbor felt its influence, while she replied:—

"You say so because you think all women are vain, and like to be flattered, and have no heart. It only shows how little you know us. Do you mean to tell me," she added, in a lighter tone, "that's not a pretty girl in the second row there, with a mauve ribbon through her hair?"

She was pretty, and he thought so; but St. Josephs, being an old soldier in more senses than one, observed sententiously:—

"Wants coloring—too pale—too sandy, and I should say freckled by daylight."

"We all know you admire dark beauties," retorted the lady, "or you wouldn't be here now."

"You're not a dark beauty," returned the ready General; "and I knew you were coming too."

"That 'too' spoils it all," said she, with another of her killing glances. "Hush! you needn't say any more. If you won't talk to me, at least attend to the stage."

Satanella meanwhile was perusing Daisy's profile as he sat beside her, and wondering whether anybody was ever half so good-looking and so unconscious of his personal advantages. Not in the slightest degree embarrassed by this examination, Mr. Walters expressed his entire approval of the farce as it proceeded, laughing heartily at its "situations," and even nudging Miss Douglas with his elbow, that she might not miss the broadest of the fan. Was there another man in the house who could have accepted so calmly such an enviable situation? and did she like him more or less for this strange insensibility to her charms? The question must be answered by ladies who are weary of slaughter, and satiated with victory.

"Will she win, Daisy?" hazarded Miss Douglas at last, in a low whisper, such as would have vibrated through the General's whole frame, but only caused Daisy to request she would "speak up." Repeating her question, she added a tender hope that "it was all right, and that her darling (meaning the black mare) would pull him through."

"If she don't," replied Daisy, "there's no

where it seldom freezes—would have an unspeakable advantage. Thinking of the black mare somehow reminded him of Miss Douglas, and pacing thoughtfully along Pall Mall, he recalled their first meeting, tracing through many an hour of sunshine and lamplight the links that had riveted their intimacy and made them fast friends.

It was about two years ago—though it seemed like yesterday—that, driving the regimental coach to Ascot, he had stopped his team with considerable risk at an awkward turn on the Heath, to make room for her pony-carriage; a courtsey soon followed by an introduction in the enclosure, not without many thanks and acknowledgements from the fair chariot'er and her companion. He could remember how she kept him talking till it was too late to back Judæus for the Cup, and recalled his own vexation when that gallant animal galloped freely in, to the delight of the chosen people.

He had not forgotten how she asked him to call on her in London, nor how he went riding with her in the morning, meeting her at balls and parties by night, inaugurating a picnic at Hampton Court for her especial benefit, while always esteeming her the nicest girl out, and the best horse-woman in the world. He would have liked her to be his sister, or his sist'r-in-law; but of marrying her himself, the idea never entered Daisy's head. Thinking of her now he could "put her on" for a good stake, and send her back their mutual favorite none the worse in limbs or temper for the great race he hoped to win!

All Light Dragoons are not equally susceptible, and Mr. Walters was a difficult subject, partly from his active habits of mind and body, partly from the energy with which he threw himself into the business of the moment whatever it might be.

Satanella's work, her shoeing, her feed, her water, were such engrossing topics now, that, but for her connection with the mare, the lady from whom that animal took its name would have had no chance of occupying a place in his thoughts. He had got back to the probability of frost, and the possibility of making a tan-gallop, when he turned out of St. James's street into one of those pleasant haunts where men congregate after nightfall to smoke and talk, accosting each other with the easy good-fellowship that springs from community of tastes, and generous dinners washed down with rosy wine.

Notwithstanding the time of year, a member in his shirt-sleeves was sprawling over the billiard-table; a dozen more were sprinkled about the room. Acclamations, less loud than earnest, greeted Daisy's entrance, and tumbler of cunning drinks were raised to bearded lips, in mute but hearty welcome.

"You young beggar, you've made me miss my stroke!" exclaimed the billiard player, fuming egregiously to score an obvious and easy hazard. "Daisy, you're always in the way, and you're always welcome. But what are you doing of the Shires in such weather as this?"

"Daisy never cared a hang for hunting," said a tall, stout man on the sofa. "He's only one of your galloping Brummagen sportsmen, always amongst the hounds. How many couple have you scored now, this season—tell the truth, my boy—off your own bat?"

"More than you have of foxes, counting those that were fairly killed," answered Daisy calmly. "And that is not saying much. Seriously, Jack, something must be done about those hounds of yours. I'm told they've got so slow you have to meet at half-past ten, and never get home till after dark. I suppose if once you began to draft there would be nothing left in the kennel but the terrier!"

"You be hanged!" answered the big man, laughing. "You conceited young devil, you think you're entitled to give an opinion because you're not afraid to ride. And, after all, you can't half do that, unless the places are flagged out for you in the fences! If you cared two straws about the real sport, you wouldn't be in London now."

"How can I hunt without horses?" replied Daisy, burying his fair young face in an enormous beaker. "All hounds are not like yours, you know. Thick shoes and gaiters make a capital mount in some countries; but if I am to put on boots and breeches I want

Daisy would have liked nothing better; but people do not lay "monkeys" on steeplechases at one o'clock in the morning. Nevertheless curiosity had been excited about Satanella, and his cross-examination continued.

"Is she a thoroughbred?" asked a cornet of the household cavalry, whose simple creed for man and beast, or rather horse and woman, was summed up in the two articles—blood and good looks.

"Thoroughbred?" repeated Daisy thoughtfully. "Her sire is I'm sure, and she's out of a 'Connemara mare,' as they say in Ireland, whatever that may be."

"I know," observed the peer, with a wink. "Ah, ye devil, ye've got your lesson perfect anyhow."

"Do you want to back her?" asked a tall, thin man, who had hitherto kept silence, drawing at the same time a very business-like betting-book from his breast-pocket.

"You ought to lay long odds," answered Daisy. "The race will fill well. There are sure to be a lot of starters, and no end of falls. Hang it! I suppose I am bound to have something on. I'll tell you what. I'll take twelve to one in hundreds—there!"

"I'll lay you ten," said the other.

"Done!" replied Daisy. "A thousand to a hundred." And he entered it methodically in his book, looking round, pencil in mouth, to know "if anybody would do it again?"

"I'll lay you eight to one in ponies," Daisy nodded, and put down the name of the billiard-player. "And I in tens!" exclaimed another. "And I don't mind laying you seven!" screamed a shrill voice from the corner, "if you have it in fifties." Whereat Daisy shook his head, but accepted the offer nevertheless, ere he shut up his book, observing calmly that "he was full now, and must have something more to drink."

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"Well, she's more mine than anybody else's," answered Daisy, buttoning his overcoat to depart. "There's only one thing certain about her, and that is—she'll start if she's alive, and she'll win if she can!"

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Sticking his hands in his pockets, Daisy shook his head in virtuous disapproval of his senior, never dreaming that a man of the General's age could be fool enough to pace a wind-swept street under a lady's window for an hour after she had retired to bed.

## CHAPTER VIII.

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She was very near laughing in his face, but mastered her gravity, after a moment's reflection, and observed sententiously—

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"V. St. Josephs!" repeated Mrs. Lushington. "I wonder what V. stands for. Valentine, if I remember right. And I wonder what on earth he means me to gather from his letter! I cannot make head or tail of it. If she has accepted him, what makes him talk about time and devotion? If she has refused him, surely he never can intend to persevere! Blanche, Blanche! if you're playing a double game, it will be the worse for you, and I'll never trust a woman with dark eyes again!"

The Gordon girls, going home in their hired brougham, voted that "dear Mrs. Lushington had one of her headaches; that Mr. L. was delightful; that after all, it seemed very selfish of Clara not to have secured them a couple of men; finally, that they had spent a stupid day, and would be too glad to go to bed!"

[TO BE CONTINUED.]



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Standard, Hamilton, E. Collins, Independents, Dundas; A. Weir, Maple Leafs, Guelph

## Cricket.

### HOW THE PENINSULARS OF DETROIT ARE GETTING READY FOR BUSINESS.

The Peninsulars, anxious to retain the high reputation they gained last year, having played six matches, all of which they won, have rented a large hall on Monroe avenue, adjoining the Calisthenum Club-rooms, for the purpose of practicing bowling and batting. Here nearly every night the cricketers are hard at work. The main object is to improve the "colts," and particularly their junior bowler, I. C. Irvine, who only came out as a bowler in 1875. He was the cricket meteor of the year, and will make one of the fastest and most destructive bowlers in America. He is, in cricket terms, "a clipper." Owing to the regular practice of last season the batting averages of the players was unusually good, as the appended record shows. It is more than probable that the Peninsulars will meet the champions, the Young Americans, this season. The following is the individual score:

	Total Innings	Times not out	Total runs	Most in Innings	Most in match	Average
R B Ridgley.....	4	1	59	35	35	19.2
Wm White.....	6	0	101	41	41	16.5
Geo Heigho.....	6	0	98	76	76	16.2
F J Littlejohn.....	3	2	15	12	12	15
W Armstrong.....	6	0	86	37	37	14.2
F C Irvine.....	6	0	74	33	33	12.2
C B Calvert.....	6	0	66	21	25	11
H G Habbin.....	4	0	42	24	25	10.2
Geo Edgar.....	4	0	40	17	19	10
Wm Milward.....	1	0	10	10	10	10
C Hampshire.....	2	0	18	15	18	9
G Robbins.....	3	1	4	3	4	2
F Bamford.....	6	0	21	9	9	3.5
P Young.....	2	1	6	3	3	3
A C Bowman.....	3	1	4	3	4	2
J W Gallimore.....	2	1	3	2	3	1.5

On Wednesday evening, 5th inst., Mr. M. C. Hebert, the Secretary of the Hamilton Cricket Club and President of the Garrick Club, was entertained at a dinner at the Royal Hotel by the members of both clubs. There was a large gathering. The chair was occupied by his Worship Mayor Roach, President of the Cricket Club, and the vice-chair by Mr. Crerar, of the Garrick Club. The Chairman was supported on the right by Mr. Hebert, the guest of the evening, and Mr. R. Kennedy, and on the left by Mr. Wm. Cooke and Mr. R. P. Street. Mr. Hebert is about leaving Hamilton to take up his residence in Chicago.

The following are the officers of the Buffalo, N. Y., Cricket Club for 1876.—President, H. Matthews; Vice-President, Norman Totten; Treasurer, Charles H. Park; Secretary, Dr. N. Willoughby; Board of Directors, O. Totten, J. F. Clark, H. E. Crewe.

The Ottawa Cricket Club have elected the following office-bearer for the ensuing year:—President, J. M. Currie, M. P.; Vice Presidents, Messrs. T. Reynolds, W. McKay Wright, M. P., H. V. Noel, J. D. Russell; Chairman of Committee, Rev. T. D. Phillips, M. A.; Treasurer Mr. C. S. Scott; Secretary, Mr. E. Taylor, Committee, Messrs. J. Brunel, J. Macfarlane, C. B. Brodie, A. G. Peden, G. Brunel.

The Peninsular C. C., of Detroit, Mich., held their annual meeting on the 4th inst. for the election of officers:—President, J. H. Waterman; Vice-President, C. B. Ridgely; Secretary, C. B. Calvert; Treasurer, Thos. Calvert; Committee, H. G. Habbin, F. C. Irvine, C. D. Waterman. As soon as the weather permits, they will commence operations, and would be pleased to hear from their Canadian friends as, in all probability, they will make a trip through Canada this season.

Cricketers will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Alfred Diver, which occurred rather suddenly at his residence, Lawrence Sherriff street, Rugby, England, on Saturday morning. He was formerly a member of the All-England Eleven Cricket Club, and has filled the position of bowler and cricket instructor to the Rugby school for more than twenty years.

The yachting time of the future, for any reason to apprehend in the future, any obstacle whatever in affording all comers every possible chance to carry away the much coveted prize. Indeed, from more than one standpoint it would be almost desirable if some foreign competitor should hoist a winning pennant at the close of one of our international regattas this summer, such events being anticipated, for it is evident that foreign proprietorship of the royal cup would not be without the most beneficial results. Several English yachts will, it is said, run across the Atlantic during the season, and will probably take part in the yachting programme already arranged. It is gratifying to learn, moreover, that the centennial yacht, which is to represent the Dominion in our waters—will be entirely new, and from all accounts promises to be a very fast vessel. She is at present in course of construction at Cobourg, and will, it is thought, be launched within a month. In his letter to Mr. Minton, Secretary of the New York Yacht Club, Major Gifford intimates a desire to participate in the Centennial regatta, which is announced to take place in the latter part of June. He also asks, in view of his challenge to race for the "Queen's Cup," the New York Yacht Club to consent to waive the six month's notice required. A meeting of the club will be held on Tuesday next, when doubtless all these matters will be satisfactorily arranged. The new British champion which is to fly the colors of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club will be known as the "The Countess of Dufferin," and it would appear that the most sanguine hopes are entertained of her success, such hopes being based on the fact that the Ina, Lady Standly and Annie Cuthbert, by the same builder, are well-known throughout the Dominion as fast sailers. It is understood that the yacht will be commanded by Mr. Gifford and that Captain Cuthbert, the builder, will act as sailing master.

A very large and influential meeting was held at Kingston on the 3rd inst., for the purpose of forming a boat club. A committee was appointed to make all necessary preparations, and it is expected that club will be successfully organized and place a strong 4-oared crew in training.

The annual meeting of the Peterborough Boat Club was held at the Club House on Monday evening. The Secretary-Treasurer read his report, showing the Club to be in a satisfactory financial position, the list of members having been greatly increased during the year. The following officers for the current year were elected: President, Mr. G. Barlee; 1st Vice-President, Rev. V. Clementi; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. S. Price; Secretary, Mr. N. D. Beck; Treasurer, Mr. W. Nesbitt; Committee, Messrs. G. C. Rogers, G. M. Roger, E. J. Toker, E. B. Edwards, R. Meade, J. R. Burton, E. H. D. Hall, and F. J. B. Buckett.

The Halifax crew to take part in the regatta at Philadelphia have commenced training on the North-West Arm. Their names are, John Nickerson, Caleb Nickerson, Obadiah Smith, Warren Smith, and Richard Fleming. Boats have been ordered from England.

#### CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

On Friday evening, 7th, the first match game for the possession of the Collender diamond cue which has been played in nearly three years came off in Tammany Hall, N. Y., between Cyrille Dion and A. P. Rudolph. The game was 1,500 points up, four ball carom, for \$500 aside and the cue, and was played on a 5 x 11½ four-pocket table. Dion won, Rudolph only scoring 394. The cue was won several years ago by John Deery at the Collender tournament. It passed into Cyrille Dion's hands, and then to Maurice Daly. Garnier won it from Daly and forfeited it to Cyrille Dion again, in whose hands it has remained for the last three years. This game having been won by Dion, the cue will remain in his possession free from further challenge, according to the rules of the Collender tournament.

It is reported that about \$20,000 worth of bass have been caught in the Miramichi river this winter. The increase is due to the protection of spawning grounds in the spring and summer.

at the first meeting of the association early in June. It will be placed in the southeastern portion of the park where the grand ball and other sports will be held, and it will add very materially to the attractiveness of a locality which is becoming noted all over the country for its many objects of beauty, both those furnished by nature and provided by art.

ARAB HORSES ON THE ENGLISH TURF. The London Sporting Times says "Mr. Chaplin, in order to prove how our horses have deteriorated, has imported some first-class Arabs, that are now being trained by Bloss, at Newmarket. There are four of them, and they cost \$2,000. They are the best that could be bought, of the purest blood, and they enjoy a great reputation in their own country. Mr. Chaplin's fellow steward, Sir John Astley, has been speaking offensively of these Arabs, and says Scamp shall run them every day for a fortnight over the Beacon Course, at Newmarket, one down, 'other come on, for as much as Mr. Chaplin can rake together."

BALANKREK.—This well-known racehorse, by Asteroid, dam Schotische, by Albion, owned by Mr. Wm. Jennings, has been retired from the turf in consequence of an affection of the respiratory organs, superinduced by an attack of the epizootic disease last fall. He was a very successful racehorse, having, at two years old, won the Howard Stakes for colts and fillies of that age, at New Orleans, beating Bay Rum (who had four days before beaten him in the Slocumb Stakes at the same meeting), Parolee, Sweet Bay, Larry Hart, Stampede, Bonaventur, and two others, and ran second to his stable companion, Larry Hart, for the Rawle Stakes, at Natchez, Miss. The same fall, as a three year old, he started seven times, winning the Chucasaw Stakes, at Memphis, the Free Handicap Stakes at Baltimore, the club purses at mile heats, mile and three-quarters, and the Orleans Stakes for three-year-olds, at New Orleans, full meeting. At four years old, last season, he won the Nashville Cup and two-mile purse at Nashville, Tenn., the Louisville Cup and Westchester Cup; his only defeat being in the Monmouth Cup, at Long Branch, by Aaron Pennington. He was engaged in the Centennial Stakes, at Jerome Park, and Louisville Cup this season, and his retirement from the turf is a great disappointment to his owner.

## All Sorts.

There resides in Collingwood a young man 19 years of age, well developed, well formed in body, and only 29 in. in height.

English sparrows have built their nests in the nostrils of a horse on which is placed a statue of Washington, at Richmond, Va.

"What's usee play poker," remarked an almond-eyed denizen of Tuscon, Nevada, the other day. "Me hold four kings and a lace; Malican man hold all same time four laces and a kling, whole week washee gone likee woodbine."

AN EAGLE.—An Osgoode farmer this morning displayed a large black eagle at the Ottawa market, for which he was asking \$15. It appears that he had set two traps, in one of which a hare was caught. The eagle in soaring over noticed the hare, and descended upon it, only to be caught in the other trap. The bird is a very fine one.

A few days ago Mr. Goodfellow bought two fine birds from a farmer living twenty-five miles beyond Bracebridge—a white-headed eagle, measuring over six feet and a half from tip to tip, and a golden eagle, within an inch and a half of the same measurement.

One day last week some negro children were playing near a creek in Quitman county when an alligator crawled out and swallowed one of the children. Next day a party took the little negro out alive. This is no newspaper lie, but was reported to us by a lawyer, who substantiates the statement by two negroes who saw the child.

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#### A WOMAN AT POKER.

The gentlemen of Milwaukee have been strangely struck of late by the advent of a woman—a magnificent blonde, who plays cards. Directly upon arriving in the city she secured the most expensive apartment at the best hotel. She is a young lady, about 25, tall, and good looking, and has a wreath of gloriously golden hair, that would make a man fall down and worship in silent adoration. She has pure Grecian features, eyes through which "one catches momentary glimpses of heaven." One, under the influence of those eyes and the victim is gone beyond redemption. "What shall we do to pass a pleasant evening? I am so lonely, you know. Do you play cards? The young man does. Shall we play Casino, or perhaps you know how to play that beautiful game, draw poker? He eagerly assents; ten-cent ante and a dollar limit, and the result is, the knowing blonde is quickly floored. Victory exerts a soporific influence upon the future, and the caller is politely dismissed to make room for another victim with whom she has an engagement a few minutes later. Whether it is owing to supernatural powers, wax on her fingers, or a marked pick of cards, no one can say, but certain it is the best player. Milwaukee have been invariably and miserably worsted. She treats her callers the most reserved and lady-like manner. She is clearly playing to win, and we have the singular spectacle of an educated, refined, cultivated, and beautiful young woman, infatuated with a terrible passion for money, getting, and she certainly thus far has adopted a successful method of gratifying her desires. She won \$1,000 at a single sitting, during her stay in Milwaukee, and other nights sums ranging from \$50 to \$100. Since the young woman's sudden rise into notoriety it has been ascertained that she was formerly a resident of Jamestown, N. Y., where she was employed as a teacher in the public schools. The Democrat of that place, alluding to her, says: "In the year 67-69 there was in attendance at J. U. and C. I., a young lady named \_\_\_\_\_, who had, she claimed, 'run away from her parents in Michigan and come East to get an education.' She was a good student, and in 70 she obtained employment as a teacher in the branch schools. During the years 71 and 72 she was employed as a teacher in the grammar schools. She was regarded a particularly capable teacher, succeeded wonderfully in making her scholars \_\_\_\_\_, she, however, had a spotted temper, and was known to tell her pupils, when angry, that she would 'cut their ears off' for 'digging their eyes.' She was very bold in the expression of her opinions, and had a practical carrying a revolver neatly concealed in the folds of her bustle. These peculiar qualities, although extremely interesting, were not considered exactly desirable in a school teacher, and it was a great relief when she finally resigned and went to Cleveland, where she became a book agent. Her next attempt was as a commercial traveller in the spice firm in Cleveland, but that failed, and she next appears in the capacity of 'boss' of 'the boss' poker player of the North-west." Just now the good people of Milwaukee are so lost in admiration and wonder that they have not thought of doing anything, and the beautiful adventures, taking advantage of their ecstasy, will doubtless quiet 'akap' the town, only to appear under another name in greener fields, and pasture new.—*Buffalo Express.*



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

DATES CLAIMED FOR 1876.

Table with columns for location, date, and race name. Includes entries for Nashville, Louisville, Cincinnati, Baltimore, Freeport, Leroy, Am. Jockey Club, etc.

ENTRIES CLOSE. CANADIAN.

Table listing Canadian racing events: Aurora colt stake, Woodbine, Aurora, Canadian Stallion Race.

NEW RACING CONDITIONS.

That there is something new under the old established developments weekly

declaration, and this principle shall apply to pools for second place, and to pools for all other places, and to the placing of horses. In drawing for places, horses declared not to win shall start in the order drawn, but outside of horses making no declaration, and afterwards in order of finishing in preceding heat, but outside of all horses that have made no declaration.

They will certainly create discussion in trotting circles. But that they are expedient in that Western circuit any person acquainted with the circumstances will readily admit. Southern and Western horses have been entered and trotted at the meetings under notice, with no desire to win better than second money, as they were put in simply to prepare them for an appearance in the Grand Circuit commencing at Cleveland, and if sent to win might have had very undesirable records attached to them. From this cause (not being driven for first place), considerable dissatisfaction has arisen and probably would again, and to obviate this difficulty the above rules have been adopted. Under their provisions a horse can be started and get second place without in many instances being placed under any disability, or be a cause of anxiety to his friends who might have, unfortunately, under the old system, put their faith in him. A horse declared "not to win," is not to be sold in the pools for any place whatsoever in the race, consequently he will not be in a position to inflict any harm even in dishonest hands; furthermore, he is placed outside in starting of horses which are not declared out, so that the horses going for the money will have the least interference possible from those not having a primary pecuniary interest in the contest. Altogether, it is an experiment, the results of which will be eagerly watched. If found to answer the purpose for which it is intended, no doubt it will become quite common in localities where it will prove beneficial to all concerned. To Mr. D. J. Robinson, the indefatigable Secretary of the Association, the credit is due for the new idea, we have understood; and if it should prove to be the specific anticipated he will be entitled to the greatest esteem of his racing friends, and the sincere thanks of gentlemen who have horses engaged at the meeting.

WOODBINE PARK.

In our issue of to-day will be found the bill of the Woodbine Park Association. It will be seen the races will extend over four days, and the money amounts to about \$4,500. The first, second, and fourth days will be devoted entirely to running, and on the third day the programme will consist of two trots of popular classes. For the Queen's Birthday the principal attraction, of course, will be the contest for the Queen's Plate, and it is supplemented by a hurdle race, and two events over the flat. The second day will have a steeplechase and two mile heat races. The third is assigned to the trotters and an open 8:00 and 40 race will be the attractions. The fourth day will have four events—two steeplechases and a couple of dashes. The programme is framed so as to allow all classes of horses an opportunity of distinguishing themselves. It is unnecessary to repeat our oft declared opinion of Woodbine and its surroundings, which, by this time, must be quite familiar to our readers. It is quite probable that the meeting will be honored with the presence of His Excellency Lord Dufferin, Governor General, as a patron. The new Association has very favorable circumstances for its inaugural meeting, and there can be but little doubt it will be as successful, both as regards entries and attendance, as its most enthusiastic friend could desire. Next week we will likely be able to announce the entrance fee, rules, regulations, &c., &c.

BOGUS PEDIGREES.

It is no uncommon thing in the American papers to read of horses having pedigrees and performances attached to them to which they have no right. Our sporting contemporaries are down like a thousand of brick on frauds of this nature, and show them up something in the following manner, which is clipped from the Aus. to Correspondents column of last week's Turf, Field and

horse, of well-known merits, being no stranger to the breeders of Canada. Through his sire he claims the blood of Boston, Tunoleon, and Dromed, while his dam has an ancestry of such blue blood as Sir Archy, Bellair, Wildair, and through her sire St. Nicholas, Tramp, Highflyer, Pot 8 o's, Cullen Arabian, &c. King Tom comes of a racing family, and his services have been held in high repute wherever known.

Ringwood, by Edward Everett, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, the dead hero of Chester, dam by Long Island Black Hawk, 2nd dam by Seeley's American Star, now claims the attention of our breeders. He is a golden chestnut, without white, 16-3, and is a fine rangy looking horse all through, and shows up head and tail equal to anybody's. He is claimed to be very fast, though without record; and his colts, the oldest of which are hardly two years, are said to show extraordinary speed. The cross of Black Hawk and Hambletonian, with one remove of Star on the dam's side is looked upon with more favor by some horsemen than any other. Messrs. Bergin are exceedingly well pleased with Ringwood, a feeling that is shared in largely by their neighbors. Their extended advertisement gives valuable particulars.

Sporting Gossip.

Mr Bowman the Secretary of the Waterloo Driving Park Association, informs us, by letter, that the contemplated meeting at that place has been abandoned. This will leave Whutby the sole claimant for that week.

A pressure of advertisements compels us to hold over several editorial and other items.

Mr. Wm. McMurray, of Ingersoll, has a three-year old filly that is said can trot a mile inside of three minutes. She is of Royal George strain.

"The Locusts" is the title of Mr. D. J. Bannatyne's breeding establishment near Eatontown, New Jersey.

Mr. Charles Nurse, the well-known long distance pedestrian, assisted by Mr. Duck, hotel keeper at the Humber, was instrumental in saving the lives of a number of gentlemen who had had their boat upset by a squall in Humber Bay on Friday afternoon. Mr. Nurse is a capital swimmer and oarsman, and these valuable accomplishments were of good account on the above occasion. He, with Mr. Duck, is entitled to much credit for their bravery in attempting the rescue, as the sea was very heavy.

It is proposed to establish a riding school in Ottawa, where it is said gentlemen who are good equestrians are very scarce.

Hyder Ali, by Leamington, will take in the towns between Toronto and Hamilton on his route westward, returning from the latter place by boat here.

A number of Base Ball matches were played on Friday throughout the country, but the playing or scores did not do justice to the reputation of those engaged.

In the Turf, Field and Farm fast time table recently published in our columns, credit is given to Madge, by Australian, for the fastest three-quarter mile time—1:15. By the Running Register for 1875, just issued, we find Chinaman, at Oakland Park, San Francisco, ran three-quarters of a mile, with 111 lbs, on January 9th, in 1:15. Those interested can make the correction.

Mr. J. P. Wiser, of Prescott, has entered his four-year old stallion Chestnut Hill, by Rysdyk, dam the Miller mare by Bully King, in the Republic Race for 4-year olds, to be trotted at Philadelphia next September. We also notice a very fine cut of Rysdyk in the Spirit of the Times last week.

By an error in Mr. Reeve's pedestrian advertisement last week we made him to say his price was \$7.50 when it should have read \$7.

As yet no reply has been received to Mr. S. Jakes' challenge to Mr. Russell, the Ottawa cuseist

It is rather remarkable the number of race tracks being built in Ontario this season. We have had reported that operations are already commenced at Oshawa, Dunaville, Cayuga and Brantford. These are all half-mile tracks. It is proposed to build courses at Orangeville and Cornwall.

This week we received the Racing Calendar published by the Turf, Field and Farm Association, New York. It contains in handy form a summary of all the races run in the United States the past year, fast time table, colors, winners of prominent events, entries for coming events, &c., &c., a mass of information for the practical turfman. Price \$1.50, and address Turf, Field and Farm, 37 Park Row, New York. Contrary to previous years it has no record of Canadian races.

By an advertisement in another column

Veterinary.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times.

DEAR SIR,—In the daily Mail of the 12th inst., I observed several valuable animals having been lost with colic. It may not be out of place to forward you several instances of acute inflammation of the lumbar region of the horse within the past month in this locality, no less than five cases have come under my observation, and one of them succumbed to the disease; of which I will give you a brief account of the symptoms and post mortem examination which had to be taken in a rough manner in the bush: I was asked to go and see a horse belonging to Mr. Peter Hager, about seven miles from here suffering from a disease they had never seen before; the animal was observed about 9 o'clock a.m. of the 10th inst., while drawing a light buggy, to be wavering, wandering, and weak in the hind parts, although in very good condition. Being near to an hotel, the owner was induced to unhitch her, as she was likely to fall. Some of the knowing ones advised the owner to bleed her and she would soon get better; he did so, and in about half an hour, in order to reach a friend's, in case she might get worse, which was about three miles; however, he only got two miles, and fortunately to a barn of another hotel, when seeing the door open, she made a rush for it; commencing to knuckle over on the hind pastern joints, she could not stand up on her hind legs, the one much worse than the other; and the fore leg on same side was also partially paralysed. I was then called, and arrived at the above place about 8 o'clock, p.m. I found the mare down on a bare floor struggling to get on her hind feet. She had full power of her fore quarters, but could not raise on her hind legs half way up. I ordered her to be kept down to prevent her bruising and knocking herself about; the pulse at the jaw full and about sixty, the nostril and eyes very much inflamed. I administered 1/2 oz. opium, 1/2 oz. ether mt., with 10 drops of aconite, which had the desired effect of easing her very much. I then got straw to keep her comfortable, got plenty of warm water, explored the rectum, removed a considerable quantity of hard feces; and applied catheter, emptied the bladder, which was quite full of dark colored urine like dirty coffee, although her food previously was composed of oat straw and twelve quarts of oats daily. I then fomented the loins well with hot water and applied a sheepskin, shortly afterwards put on mustard and ammonia. I remained with her until after 6 p.m. (Gave her three dr. aloes, with tartar emetic and nitro in water; one dr. dig., one dr. tartar emetic, four dr. nitre, one-half drachm pulverize opium, to be given every six hours)—she was resting as well as could be expected. I visited her next morning about 11 a.m., found her more restless, and adopted the same application as before, with the exception of the aloes; but the medicine did not have the same effect. She continued to be more restless; before I left, about six, I emptied the bladder, and found the urine a more natural color; but I considered at this time the bowels were participating in the inflammation. I forgot to mention that I applied enemata of hot water, both in order to foment and empty the large intestines on both days. I received a telegram on the 12th inst that the mare was worse. I again visited her between three and four o'clock, p.m., and found her dying, which took place about an hour after. In opening the abdomen found her very fat; the peritonaeum very much inflamed, the stomach and small intestines about normal, the caecum much inflamed and filled with a dirty liquid, the colon contained a considerable quantity of hardened feces, and the lining membrane inflamed, kidneys soft and contained a yellowish fluid, liver normal. In opening the thoracic cavity the lungs had a darkish color, and the heart filled with black blood, the plura and diaphragm being less or more inflamed. In cutting in on the muscle on each side of the spine of lumbar region there appeared a yellow like fluid, I considered the muscles had been strained, causing inflammation and partial paralysis, the bowels and other viscera sympathizing therewith. The other patients recovered, although some of them were very bad. Last year about this time a fine mare in the immediate neighborhood of Cayuga succumbed to the same disease.

J. G.

CALEDONIA, 18th April, 1876.

HORSE SHOELING.

COMMUNICATION READ BY MR. W. A. DUNBAR, VETERINARY STUDENT, AT ONE OF THE WEEKLY MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

Much has been written and many theories have been advanced on this subject. It is a theme which has engaged the attention of individuals of every rank and of every grade

sufficient supply of moisture," and, no doubt, prevents the feet from becoming affected with dry rot. Another tells us that on no account should the foot—especially the sole or frog—be pared at all; that the least cutting of these parts will cause swift destruction in the shape of laminitis, navicular arthritis, villitis, corns, quittar, canker, thrush, &c. They tell us that the sole and frog will exfoliate their waste matter as fast as is necessary, by a natural process, and the aid of art is never required. Another authority is quite sure that the toe should be shortened and lowered as much as possible, but no rasp or knife nor any other edged instrument should ever be brought in contact with the heels. For if the heels are cut away we are told that the back tendons will be irretrievably ruined. Still another is just as sanguine that the heels should be periodically cut down for the purpose of preventing that bug-bear disease called contraction. Their logic for this is something like the following, viz.: they tell us that a flat foot is never a contracted foot, and the heels of a flat foot are always low, therefore by keeping the heels of any foot low will prevent it from becoming contracted.

These are only a very few of the many opinions regarding the manner in which a horse's foot should be prepared for the shoe. With regard to the kind of shoe to be used and the manner of applying it, opinions are just as varied. One tells us that the shoe should be heavy to prevent concussion. Another that it should be light to preserve elasticity. Many are confident that the ordinary seated shoe has given better satisfaction than any other which has yet been invented; this, they say, is evidenced by the length of time it has been in use. On the other hand, a high authority in the Veterinary art says that the ordinary seated shoe is the most irrational invention that ever emanated from a man's brain. Some are of the opinion that the shoe, instead of being concave on its inner surface, should be flat, so that it would have a bearing on the sole as well as on the wall of the foot, excepting at the heel where it should be narrowed, so as only to rest on the wall. This sort of shoe, we are told, is an effectual preventive of corns. Others admire and extol the excellencies of a shoe invented several years ago by a Frenchman. This shoe is merely a narrow strip of iron, the width of which is equal to the width of the wall of the hoof, and is about three eighths of an inch in thickness, it is perforated by a few nail holes and bent to correspond with the shape of the foot. The manner of applying this shoe is peculiar; the wall of the hoof is cut down about three eighths of an inch, leaving the sole prominent, into this groove the shoe is fitted, after which it is nailed to the foot. When this shoe is properly applied, the sole of the foot and the ground surface of the shoe are on a level. The principal and great advantage of this shoe, we are told, is the fact that the horse receives all the benefits of going barefooted, while he is shod. He is shod and is oblivious of the fact. Many are of the opinion that a shoe should not project even a hair's-breadth beyond the limits of the hoof, as any variation from this rule would be productive of the most serious results. Others are just as positive that, for the comfort of the animal, the heels of the shoe should be allowed to project more or less. As to the number of nails necessary to attach the shoe to the foot, and the position they should occupy in the shoe, there is also great diversity of opinion. Some maintain that five nails—three on the outer, and two on the inner side—are quite sufficient to hold a shoe in position on any horse for any reasonable length of time, and that any more than this will do irreparable injury. Others affirm that the combined strength of from eight to ten nails are requisite to properly attach a shoe to the foot of a heavy horse, and for smaller horses proportionately fewer. Some are very much in favor of toe clips, and say that they very materially assist in keeping the shoe in position; while others say that they are an abomination, working all manner of mischief. Now, with regard to fitting the shoe to the foot, we are told by those who pretend to know that the shoe should never be applied hot, as by doing so will, in a very short time, deprive the hoof of its natural moisture, and cause it to become brittle. Others whose knowledge of the matter is probably just as extensive, inform us that a shoe cannot be properly fitted unless when in a heated state.

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Leroy, N. Y.	May 30 to June 1
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Whitby, Mich.	June 6 to 8
Yonkers, N. Y.	June 6 to 8
Cambridge City, Ind.	June 6 to 9
Grand Rapids, Mich.	June 12 to 17
Hartford, Conn.	June 13 to 15
Elmira, N. Y.	June 13 to 15
Utica, N. Y.	June 13 to 15
Buffalo, N. Y.	June 13 to 17
Jackson, Mich.	June 20 to 23
Peter Hault, Ind.	June 20 to 23
Syracuse, N. Y.	June 20 to 22
Point Breeze, Philadelphia	June 24 to 28
Watertown, N. Y.	June 27 to 29
East Saginaw, Mich.	June 27 to 30
Wilkes Barre, Pa.	June 28 to 30
Long Branch, Philadelphia	July
Chicago, Ill.	June 30 to July 4
Dayton, Ohio	July 8 to 5
Ogdensburg, N. Y.	July 4
Detroit, Mich.	July 4 to 8
Chester Park, Cincinnati	July 11 to 14
Newark, N. Y.	July 12 to 15
Chicago, Ill.	July 18 to 21
Cleveland, O.	July 25 to 28
Saratoga	Aug.
Freeport, Ill.	Aug. 8 to 11
Buffalo	1st week in Aug
Rochester	2nd " "
Utica	3rd " "
Mendota, Ill.	3rd " "
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	4th " "
Earlville, Ill.	4th " "
Hartford, Conn.	Aug. 29 to Sept 1
Springfield, Mass.	Sept 5 to 8
Mystic Park, Boston	Sept. 12 to 15
Am. Jockey Club, N. Y. (alter- nate days)	Oct. 3 to 14

CANADIAN.

Woodbine Park, Toronto	May 24 to 26
Woodstock, Ont.	May 24 to 25
London	May 24 to 25
Dundas (holiday)	May 24
Whitby, Ont.	May 31 & June 1
Chatham	" "
Aurora	June 30 to July 1
Woodbine (match)	June 3
Montreal (holiday)	July 1
Woodbine Park, Toronto	July 1 to 3
Hamilton	July 1 to 3
Montreal (regular)	July
Barrie (match)	Sept. 15
Canadian Stallion Race	Sept—

ENTRIES CLOSE.

CANADIAN.

Aurora colt stake	May 15
Woodbine	May 17
Aurora	June 29
Canadian Stallion Race	June 1

NEW RACING CONDITIONS.

That there is something new under the sun is established by developments weekly. The latest new idea in racing is promulgated by the Jackson, Mich., Horse Breeders Association, in their code of rules to govern their seventh annual meeting. They are of such a singular nature, we know our readers will be pleased to see them entire. The entrance fee is only five per cent. of the purse, an additional five per cent. being required only of winners of premiums. Winners of races can take but one premium. Horses declaring not to run with either officer of the association, at or before noon of the day preceding the race, will not be required to win; in which case they shall not win better than second premium, or, so doing, shall forfeit surplus to the association. Horses declared out in a particular race shall not sell in the pools for any place whatever in that race. In case a declared horse wins the race, all pools for first place shall be won by the best horse in the race that has made no

found to answer the purpose for which it is intended, no doubt it will become quite common in localities where it will prove beneficial to all concerned. To Mr. D. J. Robinson, the undefatigable Secretary of the Association, the credit is due for the new idea, we have understood, and if it should prove to be the specific anticipated he will be entitled to the greatest esteem of his racing friends, and the sincere thanks of gentlemen who have horses engaged at the meeting.

WOODBINE PARK.

In our issue of to-day will be found the bill of the Woodbine Park Association. It will be seen the races will extend over four days, and the money amounts to about \$4,500. The first, second, and fourth days will be devoted entirely to running, and on the third day the programme will consist of two trots of popular classes. For the Queen's Birthday the principal attraction, of course, will be the contest for the Queen's Plate, and it is supplemented by a hurdle race, and two events over the flat. The second day will have a steeplechase and two mile heat races. The third is assigned to the trotters and an open 3,000 and 40 race will be the attractions. The fourth day will have four events—two steeplechases and a couple of dashes. The programme is framed so as to allow all classes of horses an opportunity of distinguishing themselves. It is unnecessary to repeat our oft declared opinion of Woodbine and its surroundings, which, by this time, must be quite familiar to our readers. It is quite probable that the meeting will be honored with the presence of His Excellency Lord Dufferin, Governor General, as a patron. The new Association has very favorable circumstances for its inaugural meeting, and there can be but little doubt it will be as successful, both as regards entries and attendance, as its most enthusiastic friend could desire. Next week we will likely be able to announce the entrance fee, rules, regulations, &c., &c.

BOGUS PEDIGREES.

It is no uncommon thing in the American papers to read of horses having pedigrees and performances attached to them to which they have no right. Our sporting contemporaries are down like a thousand of brick on frauds of this nature, and show them up something in the following manner, which is clipped from the Ans. to Correspondents column in last week's Turf, Field and Farm—

"ALEX. INNES, Clinton.—Sir Archy, by Grey Eagle, dam by Post Boy; 2nd dam Peytona, by Imp. Glencoe, &c., will not do. Peytona was never bred to Post Boy. It can be possible that the horse is by Grey Eagle, out of a Post Boy mare, but the appropriation of a name to which he has not the slightest right, and the tissue of misrepresentations connected with the turf history of this horse, throws a shadow of doubt over the whole claim. Sir Archy, by Grey Eagle, never ran the three-mile race at Lexington in 5:38 and 5:41, if at all; his reputed four-mile race at Frankfort, in 7:34 and 7:40 is false, for that time does not stand to the credit of any horse whatever over the course of that place."

STALLIONS IN THE SPORTING TIMES.

Again we are able to call the attention of our readers to a couple of the representative horses of Ontario, that make their announcements this week. The first is

KING TOM, by Lexington, out of Tokay, by imported Yorkshire. He is a fine large

Mr. Charles Nurse, the well-known long distance pedestrian, assisted by Mr. Duck, hotel keeper at the Humber, was instrumental in saving the lives of a number of gentlemen who had had their boat upset by a squall in Humber Bay on Friday afternoon. Mr. Nurse is a capital swimmer and oarsman, and these valuable accomplishments were of good account on the above occasion. He, with Mr. Duck, is entitled to much credit for their bravery in attempting the rescue, as the sea was very heavy.

It is proposed to establish a riding school in Ottawa, where it is said gentlemen who are good equestrians are very scarce.

Hyder Ali, by Leamington, will take in the towns between Toronto and Hamilton on his route westward, returning from the latter place by boat here.

A number of Base Ball matches were played on Friday throughout the country, but the playing or scores did not do justice to the reputation of those engaged.

In the Turf, Field and Farm fast time table recently published in our columns, credit is given to Madge, by Australian, for the fastest three-quarter mile time—1:15. By the Running Register for 1875, just issued, we find Chiuaman, at Oakland Park, San Francisco, ran three-quarters of a mile, with 111 lbs, on January 9th, in 1:15. Those interested can make the correction.

Mr. J. P. Wiser, of Proscott, has entered his four-year old stallion Chestnut Hill, by Rysdyk, dam the Miller mare by Bully King, in the Republic Race for 4-year olds, to be trotted at Philadelphia next September. We also notice a very fine cut of Rysdyk in the Spirit of the Times last week.

By an error in Mr. Reeve's pedestrian advertisement last week we made him to say his price was \$7.50 when it should have read \$7.

As yet no reply has been received to Mr. S. Jakes' challenge to Mr. Russell, the Ottawa cueist

It is rather remarkable the number of race tracks being built in Ontario this season. We have had reported that operations are already commenced at Oshawa, Dunnville, Cayuga and Brantford. These are all half-mile tracks. It is proposed to build courses at Orangeville and Cornwall.

This week we received the Racing Calendar published by the Turf, Field and Farm Association, New York. In contains in handy form a summary of all the races run in the United States the past year, fast time table, colors, winners of prominent events, entries for coming events, &c., &c., a mass of information for the practical turfman. Price \$1.50, and address Turf, Field and Farm, 37 Park Row, New York. Contrary to previous years it has no record of Canadian races.

By an advertisement in another column it will be seen the Barrie Race Track and all connected therewith is offered for sale, or will be rented on very favorable terms. This is one of best tracks in America, and was built without stint of money, perfection being the idea of its promoters. Its present proprietor cannot from other business engagements devote his time to it, and will give any good man a chance by which a fortune may be realized in a short time.

The English Derby will be run this year on May 31. Petrarch has been dethroned from his position of favorite. The latest betting advices are—6 to 1 Skylark, 7 to 1 Petrarch, 8 to 1 All Heart, 25 to 1 Bay Wyndham, 33 to 1 Julius Caesar, 40 to 1 Great Tom.

At a recent meeting of the Buffalo Driving Park Association Mr. C. J. Wells was elected President, and Mr. H. A. Norris Secretary and Treasurer.

It is proposed to hold the Spring Meeting at Chatham early in June. We have not been advised of the dates selected.

had the desired effect of easing her very much. I then got straw to keep her comfortable, got plenty of warm water, explored the rectum, removed a considerable quantity of hard feces; and applied catheter, emptied the bladder, which was quite full of dark colored urine like dirty coffee, although her food previously was composed of oat straw and twelve quarts of oats daily. I then fomented the loins well with hot water and applied a sheepskin, shortly afterwards put on mustard and ammonia. I remained with her until after 6 p.m. (Gave her three dr. aloes, with tartar emetic and nitre in water; one dr. dig., one dr. tartar emetic, four dr. nitre, one-half drachm pulverizo opium, to be given every six hours)—she was resting as well as could be expected. I visited her next morning about 11 a.m., found her more restless, and adopted the same application as before, with the exception of the aloes; but the medicine did not have the same effect. She continued to be more restless; before I left, about six, I emptied the bladder, and found the urine a more natural color; but I considered at this time the bowels were participating in the inflammation. I forgot to mention that I applied enemias of hot water, both in order to foment and empty the large intestines on both days. I received a telegram on the 12th inst that the mare was worse. I again visited her between three and four o'clock, p. m., and found her dying, which took place about an hour after. In opening the abdomen found her very fat; the peritoneum very much inflamed, the stomach and small intestines about normal, the caecum much inflamed and filled with a dirty liquid, the c. contained a considerable quantity of hardened feces, and the lining membrane inflamed, kidneys soft and contained a yellowish fluid, liver normal. In opening the thoracic cavity the lungs had a darkish color, and the heart filled with black blood, the pleura and diaphragm being less or more inflamed. In cutting in on the muscle on each side of the spine of lumbar region there appeared a yellow like fluid, I considered the muscles had been strained, causing inflammation and partial paralysis, the bowels and other viscera sympathizing therewith. The other patients recovered, although some of them were very bad. Last year about this time a fine mare in the immediate neighborhood of Cayuga succumbed to the same disease.

CALEDONIA, 13th April, 1876.

HORSE SHOEING.

COMMUNICATION READ BY MR. W. A. DUNBAR, VETERINARY STUDENT, AT ONE OF THE WEEKLY MEETINGS OF THE SOCIETY IN CONNECTION WITH THE ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

Much has been written and many theories have been advanced on this subject. It is a theme which has engaged the attention of individuals of every rank and of every grade of intelligence. Some of the most polished men of letters have not hesitated to exercise the power of their genius in devising methods of shoeing, and in describing, even to the most minute particulars, the manner in which horses should be shod. The most illiterate—full of ignorance and self conceit—have also deemed themselves qualified to grapple with this matter, and to fully promulgate its most approved principles. In fact, so much has been said and written on the subject, and so many, various and conflicting, are the opinions expressed by those who professed to know all about it, that one is compelled to wonder whether there really is any proper way of performing the operation—any manner in which it can be performed without immediately or ultimately inflicting a permanent injury to the foot. One tells us that "it is imperatively necessary for the proper preservation of the feet, to pare them well at each shoeing; to thin the sole until it will yield to the pressure of the strong thumb of the smith." This, they say, "preserves the elasticity of the hoof, permits a

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However, having had some experience as a horse shoer, I am perfectly well aware that bad shoeing cannot be fully attributed, in every case, to the incapacity of the smith, because in many cases—no matter how absurd the plan may be—he is required to perform the operation as dictated by the owner of the animal. And some owners of horses have certainly extremely peculiar ideas regarding the manner in which they should be shod. Of course it is optional with the smith whether he shoes a horse in the manner which he knows is improper, and is likely to do the animal an injury; but he must do one of two things—either do as desired, or loose custom, and as it is not pleasant to loose custom, he usually consents to do as requested. Although I am quite convinced that if the shoeing smith really understands his business, he will have far more credit, and will certainly loose nothing in a pecuniary point of view by refusing to shoe a horse when called upon to do so in an improper manner. And I think that it is imperatively necessary that every horse shoer should thoroughly

Billiards.

TWO MATCHES AT HAMILTON.

On Thursday evening last W. Jakes, of Cobourg, and J. Bennett, of Toronto, met in an exhibition match at the Royal Hotel, Hamilton. In the first place Bennett and Phelan, the latter being considered the foremost billiardist in the Ambitious City, came together.

THE DION'S ACCEPT VIGNAUX'S CHALLENGE.

Having seen in the daily press what purported to be a challenge from Maurice Vignaux and M. Piot, of France, to play any two players in this country a three-ball game of 1,200 points up for \$1,000 to \$5,000 a side, we are prepared to accept the challenge, and will play those parties the number of points mentioned for \$1,000 or more a side.

A VETERINARY PROBLEM.

In the Dansville Advertiser we notice the following account of a singular freak of nature which will be of interest to horsemen. "One of the most singular deviations from the course of nature comes to our knowledge, and one that is of considerable interest to horsemen and breeders of animals."

Base Ball.

At a meeting of the Smithville Young Mechanics' club, held on 15th inst, the following officers were elected for 1876: Mr. Jas. Reid, President; Mr. J. B. Moore, Vice-President; A. J. Diamond, Treasurer; J. B. Brant, Secretary; Directors, H. Couse, W. H. Morgan, and R. O. Murgatroyd; Patron, Mr. G. Brant.

The Blue Stockings club of Cobourg, have re-organized, with the following officers:—President, E. S. Winans; Vice-President, H. Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Jas. Griffith.

Last week the annual meeting of the Ottawa Base Ball Club was held, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. A. Taylor; Secretary, Mr. J. E. Parker; Treasurer, Mr. J. Byrne; Directors, Messrs. H. Cluff, D. C. Robertson and W. J. Loughren.

At a meeting of the Printers' club of Guelph, the following were elected officers:—Mr. C. Acon Burrows, President; Mr. E. Grigg, Vice-President; Mr. W. Dack, Secretary, and Mr. G. S. Climie, Treasurer.

The annual meeting of the Dominion Base Ball Club, Montreal, took place last week at Victoria Bridge Hotel, Point St. Charles. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—A. Sargeant, President; Geo. Smith, Vice-President; J. Rollo, Treasurer; Samuel J. Ritchie, Secretary.

At the annual meeting of the Dominion (Junior) Base Ball Club, of Montreal, held Wednesday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—B. Ritchie, President; D. Anterton, Vice-President; B. Laing, Field Captain; W. Lecombe, Vice do.; B. A. Dorino, Secretary; D. Turnbull, Treasurer; Committee, G. Lavers, J. McLaughlin and J. Nichols.

At the annual meeting of the Mutual Base Ball Club held at the Western Hotel, London, the following officers were elected: President, Col. Walker; Hon. President, J. H. Fraser, M.P.; 1st Vice-President, W. H. Meredith, M.P.P.; 2nd Vice-President, Geo. Harris; Secretary, D. O. McCann; Treasurer, J. Braston; Captain, M. Kelly.

Foot Ball.

CANADA vs. HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

The above match will be played according to the Rugby Union rules at Cambridge, near Boston U.S. on Monday the 28th May.

Amusements.

CITY.

On Monday evening Miss Agnes Booth commenced her second engagement this season at the Grand Opera House, and offered for her initial bill Romeo and Juliet. She was received by a large and enthusiastic audience who were in raptures over this lady's fine rendition of the fair one of the Capulets.

Buffalo, N. Y., correspondence of the 18th inst., says: On Monday, April 24th, Mr. Fred. Wren, of the Academy Company, has a benefit; and on the remaining nights of the week Daly's Fifth Avenue Company will present the latest New York success of "Pique."

Hamilton correspondence of the 18th inst.—The Canterbury Varieties still succeed in drawing good houses. The fresh arrivals on the 10th were J. C. Parks, Sallie Woodruff, La Petite Bertie, and Madame Duclou, The closures on the 16th were Ed. Mason and Minnie Fox.

MONTREAL.—Mr. McDowell opens the Academy of Music, which has been closed during Holy Week, with Uncle Tom's Cabin. It will probably run all week. The Georgia Colored Singers have been engaged to give effect.—The Original Black Crook Co. open at the Theatre Royal, and will introduce many novel variety and scenic features.

The Quebec Music Hall has been transformed into a theatre for Mr. McDowell's company from Montreal.

The Mendelssohn Quintette Club are announced for London on the 28th inst.

Mr. James Rowland, the Canadian trapeze performer, who has frequently played engagements in this city, died recently at Wheeling, West Virginia, from an affection of the lungs. He was only twenty-one years of age, and was a native of Ottawa.

The Kentucky Derby of '76 promises to be the sensational race of the year, for in it the best two-year-olds of last year, Parole and Vagrant, meet. In addition to this, the fact that Parole is a northern bred and raised horse, and that Vagrant represents the blue grass region of Kentucky, give to their meeting here an intense interest to horsemen.

Oliverston, the sire of Helen Bennett, by Lexington, out of Utilia, by imp. Margrave, has been sold by Capt. R. Todhunter, of Lafayette Co., Mo., to Messrs. H. O. Neill & Co., of Denver, Col. He has got several that could race well, his son 'Trouble' being the best steeplechaser on the turf at the present day.

CAMPBELL'S QUININE WINE.—Report from Dr. J. Baker Edwards, Ph. D. D.C.L. F.C.S. Professor of Chemistry and Microscopy.

I hereby certify that I have carefully analysed the samples of "Quinine Wine" submitted to me by Messrs. Kenneth Campbell & Co., with the following result:

- No. 1.—Dark in color and turbid, deposits a muddy sediment on standing, has a sweet and acid taste, Orange Flavor and scarcely bitter, yields on evaporation a thick syrup of inverted sugar, contains only a microscopic trace of Quinine and Quinidine. Is made with Orange Wine. Sample X.—Dark color, with dark muddy deposit on standing, has an acid and slightly bitter taste, contains Cinchonine but no Quinine. Is made with an acid wine, not cherry. No. 3.—Campbell's—Light color, clear, with no deposit, contains Disphate of Quinine in

BLACK MACK vs. CHAS. DOUGLAS AND LADY CLARION.

From numerous reports that have come to my knowledge I am led to believe that the owners of Charles Douglas and Lady Clarion are willing to match either of the above horses against Black Mack. Now if these rumors have any substantial foundation, I

STORMONT STOCK FARM CORNWALL, ONT.



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 15 1/2 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 and power and substance, and his combination in the best and most direct lines, of the blood of the greatest trotting families of the day, the Anna Lears, Bashaws, and Straus, he is the most desirable horse to breed from in Canada, and not surpassed by any trotting stallion in America.

Directly descended through his sire, Edward Everett, by Byadyk's Hambrogonian (by Abdallah by Manbrino), from imp. ESTERMOEN, 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. DIOMEDE, he is more closely and immediately allied to the great trotting wonders of America, with the exception of Socrates and Norwood, full brothers, than any other horse now at the stud, either in Canada or in the United States.

TAKES.—\$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.

Mares from a distance will be met at the steamer or cars and taken to and from the farm, free of expense, by a careful man. Send for tabulated pedigrees.

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

THE Thoroughbred Stallion



KING TOM,

Will make the season of 1876 at the Proprietors' stables, Nelson; also stand at Wellington Square, Stony Creek Fifty, Hall's Corners, Mount Hope, Hamilton, Ancestor Village, Dundas and Waterbury, for small bills.

King Tom is a light bay, stands 16 hands high, by Lexington dam Tokragby imp. Yorkshire. Record, four mile heats, 7:30; 2nd, 7:40; 3rd, 7:50; mile heats, 1st heat, 1:42; 2nd, 1:47; 3rd, 1:50; 4th, 1:53; 5th, 1:48.

King Tom took the first provincial prize at London, 1873; also first provincial prize and diploma at Ottawa, 1874; also first prize at Guelph Central Fair, 1875.

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No. 4 Trotting Race—\$250, \$250 to first, 50 to second. Full mile heats; weight for age.

SECOND DAY.—THURSDAY, 25th. No. 5—City Race—\$450, \$350 to first, 100 to second. Mile heats. Open to all. Distance allowed 12 lbs. Sired brood horses wintered in Canada 8 lbs; winner of Park Stakes 7 lbs extra.

No. 6 Steeplechase—\$300, \$250 to first, 50 to second. Open to all. Dash of 3 miles Heavy welter weight.

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Canadian "Sporting Times" Stake

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After the four of the first born, the latter gave birth to another one, which is sound, healthy, and well developed, and in all respects as promising a colt as can be found in this section. Here is a problem for expounders of physiological law."

## Base Ball.

At a meeting of the Smithville Young Mechanics' club, held on 15th inst, the following officers were elected for 1876: Mr. Jas. Reid, President; Mr. J. B. Moore, Vice-President; A. J. Diamond, Treasurer; J. B. Brant, Secretary; Directors, H. Couse, W. H. Morgan, and R. C. Margatroyd; Patron, Mr. G. Brant. The club intend placing a strong team in the field this season.

The Blue Stockings club of Cobourg, have re-organized, with the following officers:—President, E. S. Winaus; Vice-President, H. Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Jas. Griffith.

Last week the annual meeting of the Ottawa Base Ball Club was held, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. A. Taylor; Secretary, Mr. J. E. Parker; Treasurer, Mr. J. Byrne; Directors, Messrs. H. Cluff, D. C. Robertson and W. J. Loughren. It was decided that instead of holding regular monthly meetings during the season, the business of the club should be transacted by a Board of five directors.

At a meeting of the Printers' club of Guelph, the following were elected officers:—Mr. C. Acton Burrows, President; Mr. E. Grigg, Vice-President; Mr. W. Dack, Secretary, and Mr. G. S. Climie, Treasurer. Messrs. C. B. Taylor, G. Lammond, Jas. Hoban and P. Craib were appointed directors.

The annual meeting of the Caledonia Base Ball Club, Montreal, took place last week at Victoria Bridge Hotel, Point St. Charles. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—A. Sargeant, President; Geo. Smith, Vice-President; J. Rollo, Treasurer; Samuel J. Ritchie, Secretary. Committee, S. Ward, Thos. Dalrymple, W. McWood, G. Halliday and J. Cuthbert. Mr. J. Davy was elected Field Captain.

At the annual meeting of the the Dominion (Junior) Base Ball Club, of Montreal, held Wednesday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—R. Ritchie, President; D. Anterton, Vice-President; R. Laing, Field Captain; W. Lecombe, Vice do.; R. A. Devine, Secretary; J. Turnbull, Treasurer; Committee, G. Lavers, J. McLaughlin and J. Nichols. The club is in a flourishing condition.

At the annual meeting of the Mutual Base Ball Club held at the Western Hotel, London, the following officers were elected: President, Col. Walker; Hon. President, J. H. Fraser, M. P.; 1st Vice-President, W. R. Meredith, M. P. P.; 2nd Vice-President, Geo. Harris; Secretary, B. C. McCann; Treasurer, J. Bratton; Captain, M. Kelly.

## Foot Ball.

### CANADA vs. HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

The above match will be played according to the Rugby Union rules at Cambridge, near Boston, U.S., on Monday, the 8th May. In connection with the match two trial matches under the title of East Ontario vs. West Ontario will be played, the first in Toronto on Saturday, the 22nd inst., and the return in Hamilton on Saturday, the 29th inst. Gentlemen knowing the rules, and desirous of playing, are particularly requested to communicate at once with Mr. A. D. Stewart, Acting Secretary, A. F. C. Bank of Montreal, Toronto, from whom full particulars may be obtained.

### THE LONDON CLUB.

An enthusiastic meeting of the London club was held on Wednesday evening at the Tecumseh House, a large number of members being present. After routine business, the following officers were elected for the year:—Mr. H. C. R. Becher, President; Mr. H. De T. Glazebrook, Secretary-Treasurer; Messrs. Geddes, Dempster, and Jarvis, Committeemen.

At a meeting of the Britannia Football club, Montreal, held on Tuesday evening, the 11th inst, the following officers were elected: President, H. B. Mackay; Vice-President, H. M. Belcher; Captain, A. Seybold; Secretary, F. T. Holland; Treasurer, S. M. Blaiklock; Committee, G. E. Gibb, A. R. Irwin, C. T. Shaw, D. Kinghorn, G. Cushing.

the employ of Messrs. Balfour & Young for some time past, has gone "west." He was a capital trainer and driver, and made many friends while here. It is the intention of the owners to enter their stallion Hampton in the CANADIAN SPORTING TIMES stallion race. Mr. A. T. Miller has disposed of his Black Hawk Chief for \$520. He was bought for parties in New Brunswick, and will be shipped there at an early date. A few scrub races take place at Mutchmor Park on the 24th May, but which will only induce local horses to compete, as the stakes are small and uninviting. At the next meeting of the B. B. Club, it will be decided whether they will enter the Association; in all probability they will decline doing so, as it will preclude their playing with non-league clubs, many of whom are in close proximity to Ottawa, whilst all the Association clubs are in the vicinity of Toronto, and a heavy expense is entailed in travelling. The nine this year will comprise Duffy, McMahon, Walsh, Cluff, Elmore, Smith, Blythe, Richardson and Shea. They have determined upon purchasing a new outfit from Spalding & Bro., Chicago.—Pedestrians are also beginning to realize the fact that winter has gone, and are commencing to train. Wilson & Mack's Serenaders played to crowded houses at Gowans' Opera House. Choral Union company is announced. FRANK.

## To Correspondents.

We would particularly request our correspondents and advertisers to send their favors as early in the week as possible—so that they will reach us by Wednesday morning. We are unable to use many items sent us in consequence of not receiving them in time for the issue intended.

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

WOODBINE.—Tom Walker, b c, foaled 1870, by Renfro's Lexington (Mammon), out of Ada Kennett by Bonnie Laddie by imp. Glencoe. Mammon by Lexington, out of Mamona by imp. Sovereign. Tom Walker paid forfeit in a 3-year old stake at Chicago; was beaten in his 4-year old shape at Fort Wayne, Ind., in a mile heat race; the best time of which was 1:58; in 1875, he won a half-mile heat race, on July 28, at Martinsville, Ind., in 1:00; 1:00; 1:00; the second being a dead heat; and, on September 23, was beaten in a 3 in 5 mile heat race, at Indianapolis, in 1:48; 1:48, 1:49.

GREEN JONES.—We never answer legal questions; and consider amateur law about as bad a thing as a man can take except amateur physic.

T.—Too late for this week.  
C. F. K., Wingham.—Your request is the coolest piece of impudence we have met in our experience.

### BLACK MACK vs. CHAS. DOUGLAS AND LADY CLARION.

From numerous reports that have come to my knowledge I am led to believe that the owners of Charles Douglas and Lady Clarion are willing to match either of the above horses against Black Mack. Now if these rumors have any substantial foundation, I am prepared to trot Black Mack against either of the above named horses for \$1,000 a side, mile heats, 8 in 5, in harness, over Woodbine Track after Mack's match with St. Paul, which comes off on June 3rd; or I will make two separate matches on above conditions with each of them. I do not make the above proposition in any boastful spirit, but to determine in a friendly way a difference of opinion that exists throughout the city as to the merits of our respective horses. I would suggest the Editor of the SPORTING TIMES for stakeholder.

W. J. HOWELL.

Woodbine, Toronto, April 19.

### PRODUCE.

B m by Tom Sayers, dam by Lawyer's Jesse Fowler, dropped a colt foal to Ringwood; chestnut, with small star, and white line leading further down ending in a small snip over nostril. Named Frank Maxwell.—OLIVER GILLESPIE, Cornwall, Ont., April 9.

B m by Phil Sheridan, dam full sister to Aker & Sprague's Dutch Girl; dropped a filly foal to Ringwood; chestnut.—MR. BEACH, Cornwall, Ont., April 9.

rick, May 22nd, the great American actor Edwin Booth in Hamlet, May 24th, Garrick club entertainment; the Shaughraun company for a season of seven nights, commencing May 29th.

MONTREAL.—Mr. McDowell opens the Academy of Music, which has been closed during Holy Week, with Uncle Tom's Cabin. It will probably run all week. The Georgia Colored Singers have been engaged to give effect.—The Original Black Crook Co. open at the Theatre Royal, and will introduce many novel variety and scenic features. Mr. Kennedy, the Scottish vocalist, gives his farewell concert on Friday evening, at Mechanics' Hall.—Harry Ludley, at DeBar's Opera House, will offer the pantomime of Humpty Dumpty. A number of new people have been engaged.

The Quebec Music Hall has been transformed into a theatre for Mr. McDowell's company from Montreal.

The Mendelssohn Quintette Club are announced for London on the 28th inst.

Mr. James Rowland, the Canadian trapeze performer, who has frequently played engagements in this city, died recently at Wheeling, West Virginia, from an affection of the lungs. He was only twenty-one years of age, and was a native of Ottawa.

The Kentucky Derby of '76 promises to be the sensational race of the year, for in it the best two-year-olds of last year, Parole and Vagrant, meet. In addition to this, the facts that Parole is a northern bred and raised horse, and that Vagrant represents the blue grass region of Kentucky, give to their meeting here an intense interest to horsemen. Besides Parole and Vagrant thirty-two other high-bred race nags have been entered to contend for this the great three-year-old race of the Southwest, and many an owner looks forward to see his pet capture both the champions of the two-year-old of '75 in the Kentucky Derby.

Ulverston, the sire of Helen Bennett, by Lexington, out of Utilia, by imp. Margrave, has been sold by Capt. R. Toddhunter, of Lafayette Co., Mo., to Messrs. H. O. Neill & Co., of Denver, Col. He has got several that could race well, his son Trouble being the best steeplechaser on the turf at the present day.

CAMPBELL'S QUININE WINE.—Report from Dr. J. Baker Edwards, Ph. D. D.C.L. F.C.S. Professor of Chemistry and Microscopy.

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Entries close on June 29.

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CHAPTER XIV.

From the Spirit of the Times,

Continued.

Horses become orthopedic and wind suckers by being fed exclusively upon dry feed and not enough water to satisfy their natural thirst. Horses running upon grass or pasture do not...

We will suppose he wishes to gallop a mile and a half, standing either at the stand or half-way up the stretch. If at the stand he could say to his boys, "Walk or trot to the half mile pole, then gallop a mile to there and round to me, and pull up before you pass me," or if he (the trainer) is standing about the middle of the stretch, he could say to his boys, "Trot to the quarter pole, gallop a mile to there, and around to the head of the stretch."

CHAPTER XV.

Training of the Three-Year-Old.

We must now return to our previous subject, the training of the three-year-old. When the proper time arrives to break your colts do not move them faster than a two-minute gait, for they are much better and easier ordered at that rate of speed than they would be if sent at the rate of 1:59 to the mile. The latter gait would make their muscles sore and feverish, which would make them quit eating; while the slower gait will settle their flesh full as much as is desirable at one time, and will keep them on their feet and improve them, besides, it will not hurt them if they are broken two or three times within ten days; whereas, if they are made to run their best in trials, they will be knocked off their feet for seven or eight days, and if overworked in their runs by injudicious riding the trainer may be compelled to let him up entirely. There are colts which have a barrel-formed body, and are very closely made, that will take a great deal of work, and trainers think they must surely kill them to get them into shape. Now the experience has been with horses of that form to feed them into shape by putting the muzzle upon them, and not allowing them to eat more than what I give them. They will soon shape up, and when you take them to the track they are in form to take their exercise without blowing or belching, so that you can hear them all over the track, as will be the case if worked in their proper form. A horse of an elliptic-formed body does not require the caution in training for severe work, as a barrel or round-bodied horse. The elliptic body will allow the colts to pass by the flank without hindrance, and the body is more of a wedge form, and does not project as in the barrel-formed horse. You will, therefore, see that the treatment in training of the two different bodied horses should be different. Each should be trained in accordance with its conformation, as, indeed, it should be the case with every horse, thereby showing that no trainer can take a lot of horses, and train them all alike, and bring them to the point of racing condition.

In training trials no colt should be run the distance in which he is engaged with his...

not, they send them on two or three miles further. Now, if the day should be hot when these horses stop, the temperature of their bodies will be entirely too high for health, and the result will manifest itself in a day or two, in sores of the skin and muscles of the entire body. The proper way, if you wish to sweat a horse, and use blankets, is to put a linen sheet upon him first, and then as many blankets as you desire, then walk, trot, and gallop either continuously or at intervals until you obtain the desired sweat or scrape, then take off the clothing scrape him off, and rub him partially dry, and put on the saddle. If you now wish to run your colt a trial, that is the time to do it, for the colt is ready for you; having emptied himself well, and the weight of his body reduced by copious sweats while working at a moderate gait. The run now will not hurt him, and after it is over, you can throw a light blanket or lincey over his loins, and then walk him to the stable, and by the time he gets there, he will be ready to be rubbed off. By treating your colt in this way after the run, he will lose no more substance than just enough to relieve him.

Horses that have been fed or wintered on Indian corn still require a great deal more sweating than those fed on oats and other feed, because the body is full of fat, which will clog the wind unless the blood is cleared of that fatty lymph which corn produces. In cases of this kind, or early spring, when the weather is cool, of course you will have to use blankets until the warm weather sets in, to get rid of the grossness from the body that the corn produced, whereas, if he had been fed upon the proper food which a horse should be fed upon, who is to be trained and run, there would be no necessity of using blankets. But over then the horse should have a lincey sheet next to his body, so the blanket will not touch the hair. The cause of horses sweating off, stiffening up, or becoming sore in the loins, and particularly breaking down, is to be found in running too often and too far at the top of their speed in deep tracks. The deeper the track the more fatigue and strain it causes to the cords and pasterns, frequently stiffening the young horse so that he props himself in front, which makes him short in his stride, and thereby lessens his speed. He cannot now be forced up to his natural stride unless severely punished, and cannot stay but a few hundred yards upon that stride, for the exertion to keep it up is so great that he is bound to tire. My experience is that nine horses out of every ten are over-worked, especially in the long summer season. Therefore the intelligent trainer will carefully observe the amount of work he gives his colts daily, and those that appear to be overworked will let up at once, knowing full well that a few days' rest will restore them; and those that he has under-worked, he will, of course, increase their work, and thus, by close observation, he will prevent the permanent injury of any of his colts. Horses are easier ordered by strong gallops than they are by trial runs, short or long. No horse should be tried after he has once run in public at a less speed than two minutes for his actual speed can be obtained at a much shorter distance; therefore, to order a horse strong galloping at a distance that suits his form and condition, with an occasional breeze at the rate of two minutes to the mile, will effect the object in a reasonable time. A great fault among trainers in running their horses trial runs, is in starting too many together. Every horse, in a trial, should be run by himself, unless his organization or temperament is of that sluggish nature as to require another horse with him to excite him to put forth his speed. In running a number of horses together, the jockeys will often have bets among themselves in respective horses which they are to ride, and by trying to win their little bets, are apt to disobey orders, and injure their horses. But if they are broken properly, in contest of this kind can arise, and you can have the use of your best rider on all the horses. Trainers, either from ignorance or for what of attention, neglect or do not know how to teach their boys how to ride: how to sit upon a saddle; how to brace their knees; or to take hold of the reins. I will venture to say, if you would go to the track at any time, when a number of horses are galloping, you will not see two boys in ten holding the reins properly in their hands, which is an injury to the colt, both in his running and disposition. Nine times out of ten you will see them with both hands turned towards the horse's neck, and the bottom of their hands toward the horse's mouth. Should a boy be riding a high-headed horse, or taking a long hold on the reins, if the horse attempts to run he is sure to get away with him by the time he pulls his hands back to the sides of his own hips, for the purchase of the arms is gone, and he has let go one hand or both and grab the reins, and he is just as liable to grab hold of the main as the rein. If he should catch but one rein, he will pull the horse's head round before he gets hold of the other rein, which will throw the horse off his stride, and the weight of his body upon the leg on the side of the loose rein, and this is the cause of so many young colts breaking down. When you see a horse running away in exercise, it is long odds that the boy has got hold of the reins as described above, and hence so many colts run away. Trainers should buy or borrow a book in which English riding is illustrated by pictures of every position in which the jockey should occupy himself upon the horse, for they are the only horsemen whose perfection in riding is worthy of imitation. We have no superior riders in this country, or at best very few, and this is owing entirely to our jockeys not being taught how to ride. If they ever become proficient, it is from long experience and natural good judgment. There is over one hundred thousands dollars lost to the proper winners by bad riding and bad training every season, but experience keeps a dear school, and fools will learn in no other. Even in our steeple and hurdle races, where the riders are mostly men, there is scarcely one of them who can ride two miles and a half without falling off, or running their horse stiff against a stone wall or through

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**G. JAFFER XV.**  
*Whisper of the Three-Year-Old.*

We must now return to our previous subject, the training of the three-year-old. When the proper time arrives to breech your colts do not move them faster than a two-minute gait, for they are much better and easier ordered at that rate of speed than they would be if sent at the rate of 1:50 to the mile. The latter gait would make their muscles sore and fatigued, which would make them quit eating; while the slower gait will settle their flesh full as much as is desirable at one time, and will keep them on their feet and improve them, besides, it will not hurt them if they are breezed two or three times within ten days; whereas, if they are made to run their best in trials, they will be knocked off their feet for seven or eight days, and if overworked in their runs by injudicious riding the trainer may be compelled to let him up entirely. There are colts which have a barrel formed body, and are very closely made, that will take a great deal of work, and trainers think they must nearly kill them to get them into shape. Now my experience has been with horses of that form to feed them into shape by putting the muzzle up to them, and not allowing them to eat more than what I give them. They will soon shape up, and when you take them to the track they are in form to take their exercise without blowing or heaving, so that you can hear them all over the track, as will be the case if worked in their proper form. A horse of an elliptical-formed body does not require near the caution in opening for severe work, as a barrel or round formed horse. The elliptical body will allow the colts to pass by the flank without hindrance, as the body is more of a wedge form, and does not project as in the barrel-formed horse. You will therefore see that the treatment in training of the two different bodied horses should be quite different. Each should be trained in accordance with its conformation, as, indeed, it should be the case with every horse; thereby clearly showing that no trainer can take a lot of horses, and train them all alike, and bring them to the best in racing condition.

In your next trial no colt should be run the whole distance in which he is engaged with his weight on, much under a two-minute gait, for his condition can be ascertained at that speed and without injury, as well if not better than if he was running his best. If you wish to ascertain his speed, he should be run a quarter mile or half a mile, which is far enough for any horse to run at his highest speed. When he returns to where the trainer stands, the latter being an experienced judge, can readily judge of his condition by noticing the effect the run has had upon him. A run at that distance cannot seriously hurt the colt; but if he be sent off a mile and a half or two miles to make time, it may probably result in injury to the colt, or at least it will not put him forward any. It is the heavy clothing in work, and the long and severe trials run, which break down most of the colts. Another habit should be formed among trainers, this is of taking horses out to the track, and running them their trial a mile or two, and then backing them up with heavy hoods, while the horses are still hot from their previous run, and gallop them at a strong pace, two, three, and four miles. Now it sometimes happens that when a horse is too hot, he will not sweat at all. After they have galloped in this way with a view of sweating them, when they raise the blankets to see if they are sweating, and find they are

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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 Spears, by imported Arabian Fysaul; 2nd dam, Sister to Pryor No. 1, by imported Glencoe; 3rd dam, Gipsy (sister to Medoc), by American Eclipse; 4th dam, Young Maid of Oaks, by imported Expedition; 5th dam, Maid of Oaks, by imported Spread Eagle; 6th dam, Annetto, by imported Shark; 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, Sophoniaba's dam, by Curwen's Bay Barb; 15th dam, by D'Arcy'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 Messenger. Mambrino Chief was the sire of Lady Thorn. Almont is the sire of Allico West, 3 yrs, 2:29; Piedmont, 4 yrs, third heat, 2:50; Alotha, 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.

J. ENRIGHT & BRO.

Dundas, Feb. 1876. 234-am.



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By Aberdeen, dam by Seely'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.

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THE TROTGING 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, 15-8; weighs 1,150 lbs., with fine trotting action, good carriage, kind disposition, and great development of muscle. He was sired by Freshhold Bashaw, of New Jersey (record of 2:36), 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 Abdal

THE THOROUGHBRED STALLION



HYDER ALI,

Will make the season of 1876 in the vicinity of Toronto, for a limited number of mares. His book is now open.

Description.—Hyder Ali is a beautiful bay, about 16 hands, foaled in 1873, sired by imp. Leamington, dam Lady Duke, by Lexington; 2nd dam, Magdalen by Medoc; 3rd dam, Kepp's dam by Sumpter; 4th dam, by Lewis' Eclipse; 5th dam, Maria by Craig's Alfred; 6th dam, by Taylor'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 1844), 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.

Standing at R. Bond's, Richmond street, Toronto, until 10th of April.

For further particulars address,

Mr. DWYER, "Sporting Times" Office. Toronto.

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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, Tullamore, Woodhill, Grainsville, 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 Beal, 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, 15-8 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.

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, Lachine, near Montreal.

TUBMAN is a beautiful bay; 16 1/2 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 Beal, by imp. Glencoe; dam Lass of Sidney, by imp. Knight of St. George; 2nd dam imported mare by Lancaster.

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

DAWES & CO., Lachine, March 17, 1876. 238-am.



The Celebrated Trotting Stallion Phil Sheridan,

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

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Trotting Stallion RYSDYK

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

\$100 TO INSURE, \$25 to be paid at time of service.

RYSDYK, the "Sund King" of the Stock Farm, is the best bred trotting stallion in America, embracing the best possible cross of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, the highest type of the trotting horse with Lexington, the perfection of the thoroughbred, the unequalled staying qualities of the latter added to the purely gaited trotting action of the former.

Mares kept at moderate charge and well cared for. All accidents and escapes at owner's risk. Communications by letter or telegraph cheerfully attended to by addressing the proprietor or superintendent, H. W. Brown. Mares not proving in foal can be returned next season free of charge.



Chestnut Hill,

By Rysdyk, out of the Miller mare, by Bully King, son of Geo. M. Patchen, sired by Duke, 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 Whisker of the East, is one of the fastest trotting stallions in America, having secured for himself in public trial a record of 2:23, winning the stallion 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;

\$50 TO INSURE



The Trotting Stallions Highland Boy, AND Winfield Scott,

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

HIGHLAND BOY, foaled 1866, is a beautiful bay, black points, 16 1/2 hands high, and for style, action and symmetry, is not surpassed by any stallion in America; was sired by Hamlet, by Yolunteer, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, dam Black Maria (bred by Mr. Verley, 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.—Gloster, Jr., winner of the Boyle three-year-old stake at Hamilton, September, 1875; Tennyson, Mat Camarone, 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, 15 1/2 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.

\$20 the season; \$30 to insure. SIMON JAMES, DELZA STABLES, Hamilton. 210-am



THE TROTGING STALLION FEARNOUGHT CHIEF,

Will make the season of 1876 at Woodstock and vicinity.

FEARNOUGHT CHIEF is a rich 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. 183, 241, Vol. II, p. 205); dam, a fast trotting mare by Toronto Chief, he by old Toronto Chief, the sire of Thomas Jefferson.

His book is limited. Address JOHN FORBES, Woodstock, Ont. 239-am



Highland, ALBION,

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

5 years, 16 hands, by Mr. James' Highland Boy, Hamilton; golden chestnut, weighs 1,300 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 PARRISILL, Ont.



The Trotting Stallion ST. JOE,

Imported from Lexington, Kentucky, by Mr. J. Hetherington, will stand for mares at the Union Hotel, Guelph, during the season of 1876.

Description and Pedigree.—St. Joe, by Blackwood; 1st dam by Mary Time, sire of Pass Frail, dam of Lady Stout; 2nd dam by Woodford; 3rd dam by Gay Eagle.

This is one of the finest bred horses that ever left Kentucky. Colt black, foaled 1871; sixteen hands and one inch high; very stylish and perfect in his gait. At two years old he won a race in 2:52, over a half mile track at Lexington, Ky. It is claimed that this horse resembles his sire, Blackwood, more than any of his get.



Columbus and Hambletonian STALLION Warr Hulett.

He is a beautiful bay, black legs, mane and tail stands 15 1/2 hands high, foaled in 1864, sire 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 many very fast colts, including Belle of Pawlet, 2:51; Robinson, 2:52; Lady Brown (3 yrs), 2:52; Baby Belle (Jan 8, 1876), 3 yrs old, trotted mile heats in 1:29, 1:27, 1:26; Daniel Drew (3 yrs), 2:45; Sally Brown; Norton Colt, Ham Draw, 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.



YOUNG ERIN CHIEF.

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

\$20 to insure, \$12 for season. M. SINNOTT, Proprietor. 241-am.



Frank Allison.

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

FRANK ALLISON is a beautiful bay, 7 years old, 16 hands, sired by Blackbird, he by Little Cassius, 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 & 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. DOUGLASS.

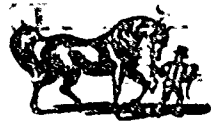


ERIN CHIEF.

This celebrated trotting stallion will make the season of 1876 as follows: Monday, May 1st, Newmarket, for noon; Bradford, for night; Tuesday, Bonded, for noon; Schenck, for night, and remain until Thursday, then to Kitley, 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 time of service, season, to be paid last round. Pasturage, 1st Feb., 1877. Good pasturage and stable furnished at cheap rates. All accidents at owner's risk.

ERIN CHIEF is a golden chestnut, 16 1/2 hands, a 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 1

Proprietors will not be responsible for any accidents or losses.  
**J. ENRIGHT & BRO.**  
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**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.

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**R. DAVIS,**  
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 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 2:36), 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 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 Pearl, 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  
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**THE THOROUGHbred STALLION**

**HELMBOLD,**

By imported Australian, dam Livender, by Wagner, &c., will stand this season at Montreal. Terms—Thoroughbreds, \$20; half-breds, \$10. For particulars apply to  
**C. J. ALLOWAY, V. S.,**  
 241-um  
 MONTREAL.

**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, Tullamore, Woodhill, Grahamville, and intermediate places. Fall 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 Rizza Davis, by imp. Knight of St. George (Legor 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.

**H. GRACEY,**  
 237-um  
 WESTON, March 7, 1876.



**THE THOROUGHbred STALLION**

**TUBMAN,**

Will serve a limited number of mares, at the farm of the subscribers, Lachine, 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 Lanercost.

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

**DAWES & CO.**  
 238-um.  
 LACHINE, March 17, 1876.



**The Celebrated Trotting Stallion**

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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 Hollinsworth, Prescott, Ont., will receive the best of care.

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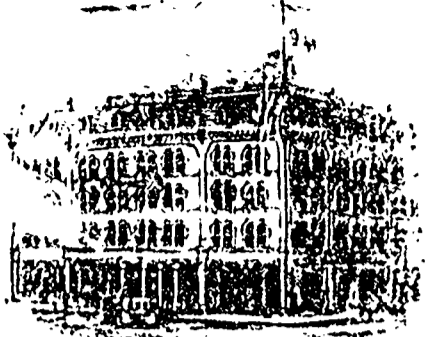
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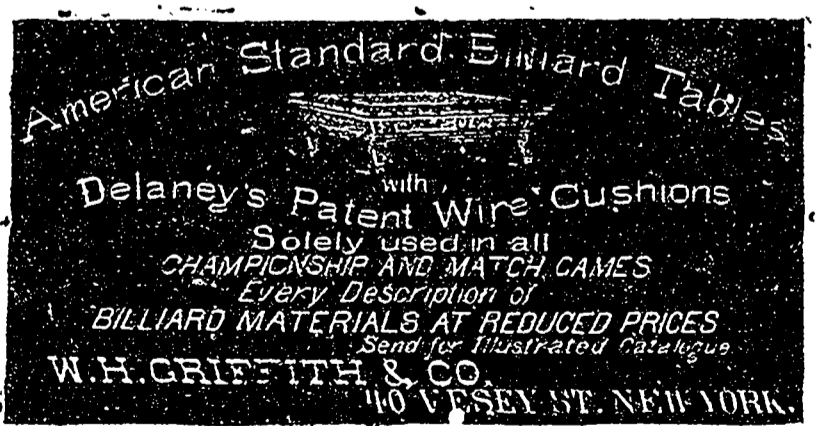
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The proprietors of the SPORTING TIMES have much pleasure in announcing to their patrons that they have made arrangements to present a magnificent horse picture to their advance paying subscribers for the year 1876-7. Realizing the importance of this undertaking, and being determined to offer our subscribers a picture that should in itself be worthy of the paper it represents, and which should be treasured as a work of art, after culling over the finest productions of the American press, we selected the beautiful chromo of **GOLDSMITH MAID**; printed in nine colors and indelible shades, size 18 1/2 by 24 inches, believing, as our friends will when they see it, that it is the finest horse picture ever published in America. It is not to be confounded with the miserable pictures hawked around the country by some journals, but is really a work of high art and intrinsically of more value than we receive for our yearly subscription. She is represented standing in a box stall stripped, and in this position the picture, from which the chromo is reproduced, was painted by one of the first artists in the profession in America. When varnished and mounted it is impossible to distinguish between the chromo and a very fine oil-painting. It is a work of art worthy of a place in the finest collections in the country, and what adds to its value it is the only correct likeness of **GOLDSMITH MAID** ever published. As a memento of the most remarkable trotting equine in the world, shortly to be relegated from the turf, it will be treasured by every horseman in the country, more especially by those who have seen the little mare in any of her races. This picture was sold by subscription only a few months ago for \$5 a piece, and copies of it were in great demand. We expect in this liberal gift to more than double our subscription list in the next three months, and if our friends who receive the picture will only show it to their acquaintances and inform them how they may get a copy, we are sure our anticipations will be realized. The picture can be procured in no other way; we do not sell it; and only give it to those who remit Yearly in advance for the SPORTING TIMES.

To meet the wishes of a number of our patrons who might desire the picture of a horse in action in preference to a still one like our Chromo of **GOLDSMITH MAID**, as a premium, we have selected the next most remarkable trotting celebrity in the world in her greatest race. We refer to **LULA** at Rochester, N. Y., October 14th, 1875, in her now noted match against Time. The picture is 22 1/2 by 28 inches, being larger than that of **THE MAID**, and is a fine specimen of the pictorial art. It is not claimed to possess the high artistic value of the latter, but still on account of being larger and in action, with a portrait of Mr. Chas. Green, the driver of **LULA**, and a view of the Rochester, N. Y., Driving Park, Judges' Stand, &c., the stables, &c., being seen in the distance, might be preferred by many to the other. We desire to accommodate our patrons to the fullest extent. All advance paying subscribers for the year 1876-7, and none others, are entitled to their choice of those pictures.

All communications and telegrams must be pre-paid.

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