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American Turf.

WASHINGTON RACES.

May 18.—The inaugural meeting of the National Jockey Club, which has been postponed since Tuesday on account of the unfavorable weather, commenced to-day.

May 19.—Purse \$250, for all ages; second horse to have \$50. Three-quarters of a mile. Jos Donahue's ch h Spindrift, aged, by Bonnie Scot and, dam by Wagner, 118 lbs..... 1

Same Day.—Purse \$400, for three-year-olds second horse to have \$100. Mile heats. J B & W R Davis' ch f May D..... 1 1

Same Day.—Purse \$400, of which \$100 goes to second horse; mile heats, over four hurdles. Oden Bowie's ch g Calvert, 6 yrs, by Baltimore, dam Chickamauga..... 3 1 1

May 19.—Purse \$350, for all ages; \$225 to first, 75 to second, 50 to third. One mile and a quarter. Oden Bowie's b o Ore Knob, 4 yrs, by Dickens, dam Slipper, 108 lbs..... 1

Same Day.—Selling race, purse \$650, for all ages; the winner to be sold for \$1,000; if entered to be sold for \$750, allowed 5 lbs; for \$500 allowed 10 lbs; any surplus over stated price to go to second horse. One mile and an eighth.

Same Day.—Purse \$400, for all ages; second horse to receive \$100. Mile heats. J G Bethune's b g Burgoo, 5 yrs, by Hurrall, dam Emma Downing, 111 lbs 1 2 1

THE MUSTANG RACE.

The race against time by 80 mustangs, ridden by one man, took place yesterday. The race was the result of a wager on the part of an old Californian that he could produce a man who would ride a distance of 805 miles in 15 hours, using for this purpose 80 mustangs.

pletely exhausted, and was taken to the little hotel in the Park. He suffered greatly from the effects of his undertaking, being blind and affected with nausea. The race closed at 8:27 p.m., Parker having been in the saddle 11 hours and 27 minutes.—New York Tribune, May 19.

PIGEONS FOR FARMERS.

Farmers are apt to regard pigeons as very destructive to have around the farm and say they dig up the grain and eat it, thus ruining the crops. This is a prejudice entirely without foundation. Pigeons' bills are not suited to digging, neither would they have sense enough, as they are pre-eminently "dumb."

A NEW WAY TO ROW A BOAT.

No one that has rowed much on any of our many boating courses but has been warned by a sharp call of "Look out ahead!" and glanced hastily over his shoulder to find a collision imminent—a collision to be avoided only by holding "hard all."

Mr. Lyman, of Middlefield, Conn., realized that for centuries we had been rowing backward, and he put his wits to work to set the matter right. In company with the inventor and Mr. Harris, of the Forest and Stream, I had the pleasure, on Wednesday, of making a trial of the "new fangled contrivance," and was very agreeably surprised to find it worked smoothly and effectively.

The action is absolutely without noise, which will be appreciated by every one who has attempted to row on to game. Much to my surprise, I found no trouble arising from the inability to feather, the sculls leaving the water with ease. The sculls, although but eight feet long, gave as much reach and power, apparently, as could have been obtained in the same boat with ten feet sculls.

DEATH OF NETTIE NORTON.

We learn with regret of the sudden death of Mr. John Coffee's famous race mare Nettie Norton, which occurred at his farm near Sufferns, N. J., on Friday, May 12. She was grazing in the paddock, and was observed to

the Bowie stakes, four-mile heats, at Baltimore, distancing in the last-named race Aaron Pennington and Shylock in the first heat in 7:34. She was engaged this season in the Jockey Club Handicap, the Centennial Stakes and Centennial Cup at Jerome Park, the Monmouth Cup at Long Branch, and the Philadelphia Cup and International Handicap at Philadelphia. Her death is a serious loss to her owner, for, after her racing career was finished, she would have made a very valuable broodmare.

A NEW METHOD OF SWIMMING.

A lecture on swimming was lately delivered at the Marylebone Baths, London, Eng., by Mr. R. H. Wallace-Dunlop, C. B. The feature of the lecture was the introduction of what was termed plate swimming, which, until the audience were initiated, was an expression scarcely conveying the idea intended.

"Plate swimming" is the fastening of round paddles on to the hands, in size and shape resembling plates, and by this means Mr. Dunlop maintains that great extra power is given to the swimmer. This was abundantly proved by a man swimming across the bath assisted by the plates when he had a heavy weight attached to his neck, when it would undoubtedly have been impossible to have swum without such assistance.

Mr. Dunlop very kindly offered some plates for experimental purposes to a young swimmer, a friend of Captain Webb's, and who accompanied him across the channel. We shall have an opportunity of witnessing and directing these experiments, and also of trying how far they assist on or two first-class and experienced professionals, and we hope at some future period to revert to this most interesting subject at some length, but would as much deprecate hasty praise or censure.

Among the exhibitors in the water was Ainsworth of the Serpentine Swimming Club, whose peculiar "leg stroke" was admirably adapted to exhibit the fins, or feet-plates, or paddles that were used. There is one point we may mention in connection with this most interesting invention, and that is, it is indispensable that ordinary swimming be first learned. We consider this, upon the whole, to be in its favor, as we should be sorry to see artificial means of floating resorted to, which would tend to check persons learning to swim in the ordinary manner.—Land and Water.

REVERSES OF AN ENGLISH JOCKEY.

Over a quarter of a century ago, Charles Marlow, the English jockey, was the zenith of his fame. He had ridden the celebrated Flying Dutchman in all his two and three year engagements, and on him had won the Derby and St. Leger of 1849. He rode also when in the memorable Doncaster Cup of 1850, he was defeated by Lord Zetland's crack Voltigeur, who, like his rival, had also been enrolled the double victor at Epsom and Doncaster. But he had his revenge when, in their great match at York the ensuing year, Flying Dutchman triumphed over his Richmond rival, with Nat in the saddle; Marlow, as usual, riding Lord Eglington's famous brown horse. Of him "The Druid," most interesting of all turf writers, thus speaks: "Marlow was a very nice, but not, perhaps, a brilliant horseman; with good hands, very patient, with a most resolute mode of riding his horses out. A

fashion, the Dutchman's jockey is a fit object for support. In his time he was one of the finest horsemen then riding, and now that he is old, and in need, is he not a fitting object of public succor, and is he not worthy of assistance from the Bentinck Benevolent Fund?"

DEATH OF OWEN MARLOWE, THE ACTOR.

Owen Marlowe died in the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Mass., about seven o'clock in the evening of May 19. His disease was consumption, and he had been in the hospital under treatment for a number of weeks past. He was almost 46 years of age, having been born in Sussex, Eng., Aug. 1, 1830. Coming to America in 1855, he made his first appearance on the stage at Barnum's Museum, in New York, in September of that year, acting the small part of Lamp in Wild Oats. After the close of that season he went West and South, and finally settled in this city, where for a time he was engaged. In October, 1857, he married at Niagara Falls, N. Y., Miss Virginia Nickinson, the well-known manager and actor formerly of the Royal Lyceum. During the season of 1868-9 he was engaged in the Arch street Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., opening in Sir Lucius O'Trigger in The Rivals. He became a great favorite, and remained there for four seasons, and then returned to New York. When Caste was originally acted in this country at Wallack's old Theatre, Mr. Marlowe impersonated Captain Hawtree, and made a pronounced hit. He then became a member of the company at Wallack's theatre and so continued three seasons. He had also acted at Laura Keane's Theatre, Niblo's Garden and the Olympic Theatre. He then went to San Francisco, Cal., where he acted for two seasons at the California Theatre, and was a great favorite professionally and socially. After his return to New York he fulfilled a few brief engagements, and then made a flying visit to England to see his mother. Returning to New York, he was engaged by the Kralffy Brothers to act Phineas Fogg in the spectacular drama of Around the World in Eighty Days, at the Academy of Music. His last appearance on the New York stage was in that character on the evening of September 11, 1876. He then went to the Globe Theatre, Boston, Mass., and was a member of that company up to the time of his death. He made his last appearance on the stage in the Academy of Music, Chelsea, Mass., April 1, 1876, acting Talbot Champeys in Our Boys, during the provincial tour of George Honey and the Globe Theatre company. He had been suffering from the disease which caused his death for some time; but on the night last referred to he took a severe cold, and was soon obliged to take to his bed, from which he never arose. He was a genial companion and an excellent actor in his peculiar line, and his loss will be sorely felt. He leaves a widow and several children residing in this city. His funeral was to have taken place May 22.

A FEMALE BASE BALL CLUB.

A correspondent writes from the village of Dutton, on the Canada Southern railway:—"The young ladies of the village have organized a base ball club, and now about twenty of them practice that healthy exercise each evening. The petticoats and pin-backs are a little awkward to run in. Still, even with this inconvenience, they are the best athletes we have in the village. The clubs of surrounding villages may expect a challenge during the summer. If some of our young men, who seem to have no higher ambition for the summer evenings' entertainments than to congregate in bar rooms, drink beer, smoke cigars, use slang phrases, gossip, and pass remarks on customers, would take example from the young ladies, it would be better for their health and morality, and much more pleasing for the people of the village and others to transact business."

Pedestrianism.

WALKING EXTRAORDINARY.

AN ENGLISH PEDESTRIAN COVERS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY MILES IN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS. The pedestrian meeting that terminated at Agricultural Hall, London, the 9th inst., developed some "tall" walking. The event was gotten up for the purpose of testing the ability of Englishmen to beat the distance of 109 miles, 3 furlongs, 172 yards, made by Weston in that country. Prizes of £100 to the first, £10 to the second, £7 to the third and £10 to be had as follows:—

Miscellaneous.

The Bogardus Talbot match is fixed for June 5, at Philadelphia, one-half English rules and half American rules.

A few days ago Mr. W. G. Foote, of P. Aux Pins, shot 40 ducks and 23 wild geese. N. Light, Sault Ste. Marie.

Tom Allen and Joe Goss signed articles Cincinnati, May 13, for a fight for \$5,000 take place 100 miles of Cincinnati on September 7.

The Shamrock Lacer Club has arranged for a match with the Toronto on Monday Day, and it is possible the championship may again be back to Montreal.

A skating rink accident is thus described by a Kentucky reporter:—"She struck—couldn't turn—started for the clubhouse shouted, 'don't you look!—turned a man spring, and then sat down. The skaters were brown and red."

DRAGHTS.—A match of twenty games was played on Monday evening last, between four picked players from the Flora club and one player from Listowel. Four games were played simultaneously. At the conclusion the score stood—Listowel, 14; Flora, 4 drawn.

Mr. Chas. Clarke, living on lot 14, concession 9, Yarmouth, has a curiosity in the shape of a three-legged cat. The left fore leg is lacking, and there is no semblance of a stump or limb. The cat is now three weeks old and is as lively as a cricket.

FISH FAMINE.—It is believed that the result of the high water this year will be a famine for the next two years. The various streams having overflowed their banks, the fish will spawn in far out shore, where the eggs will be exposed when the water recedes.

On Saturday last Mr. E. Fowler, of the Guilph Academy, was out shooting on the Eramosa river, and when between "Pardiso" and the "Rocks," he shot a fine specimen of the loon or great northern diver. It is in fine feather, and about the size of a goose.

On the 15th, Mr. Ferguson, of the Listowel Banner, was in Elora for the purpose of putting four of his best draught players. He beat Messrs. Geo. Thomas and T. Wilson in straight games, and Messrs. McKenna and Alex. Duncan two games, the other two being draws.

Who dare say that Canada is a poor country? The London correspondent of the New York Times says:—"The Duke of Devonshire has just sold the Grand Duchess of Oldford XXIX, one of the Holker shorthorns, for £1,000. The highest price ever yet paid for a female shorthorn in England."

This is part of a sermon by a preacher in Colorado. The boys understood it. "Boy, you'll find this life a game of seven-up. You want to save your toes and look out for game, an' never beg when you hold a good hand. Also recollect in a long run low counts are much as high, if it is only a trump. The devil has stocked the cards, but just play an honest, and when it comes your deal you bound to get a winner once every time, and old split hoof will just have to jump the game and look after a softer snip. Also, if you happen to turn Jack, call it lucky, but don't forget to remember that turning Jack is an uncertain business, and it never do to bet on it."

A week or more ago Alan McKinnon, son of Laurelin McKinnon, took a walk while stepping over a wall. The dog was chained across an old shed, and when McKinnon immediately on being disturbed, gave Mackinnon a good hug, tearing his shirt off from his shoulder down Fortune's leg. The dog was with him, and the bear turned its attention to the canine, and Mac took the opportunity to slip from the dangerous locality, and at once sought the assistance of black John McDonald, who was splitting rails in proximity to the scene. After a little trouble they succeeded in capturing one of the cub alive, the other was killed by the falling of a tree which had just been chopped.

Horse Notes.

Mr. Gladstone, in his last away on the Horse in Heaven, says that the first track horse on record was the wooden horse employed by the Greeks in the taking of Troy.

AN ENGLISH STATION. At a recent sale of thoroughbred in England, several were offered from Mr. P. Grotton's stables. One of them was the celebrated race horse



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1. Trotting - A purse of \$210; \$175 to first, \$25 to third; open to all horses that have never won a race in January, that never won a race in the Dominion.

SECOND DAY.

1. Handicap Steeplechase - \$240; \$200 to first, \$40 to second; open to all horses, highest weight 120 lbs, about 2 1/2 miles, over fair hunting ground.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

1. These races to be governed by the Dominion Rules.

All trotting races to be run in 5 to harness. Races will start 1:30 sharp each day.



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SECOND DAY.

3-Minute Trot - \$250; \$175 to first, \$50 to second, \$25 to third.

THIRD DAY.

2:30 Trot - \$300; \$175 to first, \$75 to second, \$50 to third.

Rules and Regulations.

1. Trotting, 3 in 5 to harness, to be governed by Rules of National Association.



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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

These races to be governed by the Dominion Rules. Three horses on the outer and two to start; a fourth starting the first shall only be entitled to start money; when only two horses start third money will not be given. Entrance fee, trotting, 10 per cent. of purse, net of first money only, and nominations in all cases. By of horse proved ineligible by association. The entry to be in writing, with the name of the owner, color, and colors of the rider. Jockeys must appear in proper costume, and be allowed to mount. Objections made against any horse starting in a race must be lodged in writing with the Secretary before starting. The decision of the judges will be final. No objection on any track a race. The Committee have power of postponing or altering the order of the races. All entries to close on the 3rd of June. All horses must be eligible from date of birth. All trotting races to be in 5, to harness. Races will start 1:30 sharp each day. No gambling will be allowed in the Park. All communications addressed to James Sutherland, Secretary. W. FRANCIS, Esq., President. R. BROWN, Treasurer. A large amount of money has been laid out on the track this season, it is in the best condition. May 11th, 1876. 217-4f

Rules and Regulations.

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2. Running to be governed by Rules of Dominion Association.
3. Entrance 10 per cent. of purse, and must accompany all nominations, and must name, age and sex of horse, and colors of rider.
4. Entries to close Friday, June 23rd, at 9 p.m.
5. Trotting races open only to horses owned in Canada on March 1st, 1876.
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