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RUNNING TIME TABLE.

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[From the Turf, Field and Farm.]

Table of horse race results including entries like 'Half-mile, Olympia, 2 yrs, by imp. Lexington, 97 lbs; Saratoga, July 25, 1874' and 'Three-quarters of a mile, Tom Bowling, 2 yrs, 100 lbs, by Lexington; at Long Branch, 1872.'

Table of horse race results including entries like 'One mile and five-eighths, Harry Bassett, 3 yrs, by Lexington, 110 lbs; Belmont Stakes, Jerome Park, June 10, 1871' and 'One and three-quarter miles, Joe Daniels, 8 yrs, by imp. Australian, 110 lbs; Travers' Stake, Saratoga, July 19, 1872.'

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Table listing horse names, ages, and owners. Includes entries like 'Two-mile heats, at Lexington, Ky, Sept 12, 1873' and 'Four miles, at Lexington, Ky, Sept 12, 1873'.

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Athletic

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Arizona, Lexington, Ky, Spring Meeting 2-mile heats, 3:37 1/4, 3:35 1/2.







the remainder; Mr. Mellish securing every prize during the two days. In 1867, when three years old, Adams was entered for the City and Suburban and the great Metropolitan. The public made him a great favorite for the former event, but he would not have run had it not been for Fordham. On the morning of the race the horse was indulged with a hearty meal of green meat. Fordham, however, being very anxious to have a mount, persuaded Mr. Smith to run him. "Well, it won't do him any harm," was the reply, "but you must not have either whip or spur." "Oh," said Fordham, "you had better let me have a whip, here, this will do" (taking down a child's toy whip that was hanging on the wall.) And so Adams went for his race, with his morning meal in him, and ridden by a jockey armed with a toy whip; he won in a canter. The Great Metropolitan was, at that time, run on the same day, an hour or so after the City and Suburban. The great Virago had already won the double event. It was denied to Adams, who was beaten by Poodle by a head. That Adams would have won in a canter, if he had had a clear course, there cannot be a shadow of a doubt. After this it was arranged that he should run for the Leviathan Davis' hook for the Derby, and Mr. Smith was, we believe, put on something like \$2,000 to nothing. In the course of training, he met with all sorts of mishaps. Whether he won the Derby or not it is impossible to say. The very last words that Wells ever spoke to us were, "I won the Derby on Adamas sure enough, so I did on Pero Gomez, but I am sure about Adamas." At the stud he was a thorough failure. Perhaps it was because he had not chances enough given him. As he stood only 15.2, breeders would hardly look at him. Lecturer might have failed in a similar way if the late Baron Rothschild had not taken him up to correct the coarseness of his big King Tom mares.—*London Sporting Times.*

#### STRANGE SCENE IN A CHURCH.

The New York correspondent of the Detroit Free Press writes: First, let me briefly relate what recently happened in an up town church through the affection of a young sporting man for game cocks. He had procured a very fine bird, and, tucking it comfortably under his arm, was walking proudly along to show it to a friend. The time was on Sunday morning, and the hour that was usually occupied by religious service. The young man, the son of a General who won high honors in the army of the Potomac, proceeded quietly on his way, with the cock securely under his arm; till he came to a church in which it happened that he was very well known. Services had commenced, the church was full and the door stood open. Somehow or other, just when the young man was abreast with the door the cock slipped from his arm. He made a grab for it, but missed. The cock got excited and executed a variety of movements to elude the young man, finally making a dash through the church door and up the middle aisle. The young man dashed in after it, bound to recover his prize. Chanticleer set up an unearthly noise and made for the place where the preacher was. The preacher stopped and the congregation lost all interest in what he had been saying. On toward the pulpit went the bird, now trotting, now flying and growing more and more vociferous in his observations as he proceeded. Close after him ran the young man, determined to clutch him at any cost. A hundred hands grabbed at chanticleer as he passed the pews, but every time he dodged and got away. Then the sexton and his assistants joined in the chase but only succeeded in making matters worse. Up to the pulpit and around it ran the fugacious rooster, and dodged into a corner and there was he captured.

#### THE VALUE OF TRUST.

There is nothing in the world that improves a man so much as trust. Some years ago I was mastered by a dog in that way. He came into my garden and had no business there. Thinking that he would not improve my flower-bed, I walked along quietly and threw my stick at him, and thus advised him to go somewhere else. What did that dog do? He stopped, picked up the stick, wagged his tail, and came running to me with it, and laid the stick down at my feet. I felt ashamed of having thrown my stick, and the dog was told that he might come around the garden when he liked.

had sprung into existence, and proposed offering in the fall a purse of \$25,000 for public competition, the event was hailed as the dawn of a new era in the history of the turf of the State. But that the organization was part and parcel of a grand scheme to swindle the people, and put money in the hands of a few individuals, is now generally believed.

It was in the spring of 1873 that a turfman named James Ausworth arrived in this city, fell in with George Treat, the owner of Thad Stevens, Bill Shear, and a few other turfmen who subsequently figured conspicuously as members of the Pacific Jockey Club. There had been no great race in the city since the time that Norfolk, 1865, defeated Lodi, and Ausworth at once set to work to get up one. As a preliminary, therefore, the Pacific Jockeying Club, with Jim Sargent, Zeke Wilson, Willey Swann, the baker, and Bill Sugar as members, was started. The next move was to secure some well-known and responsible citizen to act as a stool pigeon for the new organization, and Andrew J. Bryant, the present Mayor, was solicited to stand sponsor for the fledgeling club. Bryant was a successful business man, partial to the turf, well known in the community as a man of standing, and he was easily induced to accept the position of President. Next in order came the announcement that a purse of \$25,000 had been hung up by the club for a four-mile and repeat race, open to all comers. The magnificence of the purse, the fact that simultaneously with the offering was heralded the announcement that several of the famous Eastern flyers would be brought out to compete for the purse, and that old Thad, then the prime favorite of the California turf, would be entered, and was expected to surpass his previous efforts, excited popular interest to fever heat. In the meantime, the guiding spirits of the Jockeying Club had not been idle. As soon as the programme was laid negotiations with the owners of Eastern flyers were opened, and a combination was effected. Thus embraced the owners of Joe Daniels, Hubbard, and Thad Stevens. An arrangement was entered into by which Stevens was to win the race, but the purse was to go to the owner of Joe Daniels in consideration of his relinquishing all claims upon the pools, which were to be manipulated in the interest of the clique. A new pool concern was formed, with Aleck Lewis, a racing sharp, as manager. The next move was to get up a "funny race," in which no money is put up, in order to still further increase the popular excitement. This came off on Oct. 18 at the Oakland track between Daniels and Thad Stevens, the latter winning the race and ostensible stake. It was in the second heat that the California horse made his famous time, 7.80, the best second four-mile heat on record. So far matters had gone exceedingly well with the clique, but a bombshell about this time was thrown into the camp which upset all the skilfully arranged plans.

One fine day a despatch was received from Baltimore, announcing the entry of True Blue for the purse, and the following day his entrance money was telegraphed through Wells, Fargo & Co. To refuse to allow True Blue to enter for the purse, would have the effect of arousing the suspicion of the public, so there was no other recourse but to let the new applicant in. The entering of True Blue was well calculated to alarm the ring. The race over the Ocean House track it was conceded, lay between True Blue, Stevens, and Daniels. The first heat was won by Daniels, and the second by True Blue, and there are reputable citizens who affirm that in both heats Stevens was fairly distanced. On the third heat matters looked equally for the ring. True Blue was in a better condition than either of his competitors, and his chances to win had increased enormously. Then followed the accident to True Blue, whose jockey always asserted that the injury was inflicted by the rider of Daniels, designedly. However, Stevens, according to the pre-arrangement, won the race, the purse being paid to Daniels out of the gate receipts, as True Blue was the only one who paid in entrance money. So well known was it among turfmen that the race was a swindle that members who had invested heavily on True Blue in the pools, refused to settle, and threatened to expose the affair if the demand was repeated. Among these was Jim Eoff, who bought on True Blue in the pools to the amount of \$8,000. After the profits of the race had been divided among the members of the club, there still remained a handsome sum, for the possession of which a struggle ensued. Shear, as

that the race had been originated by a pseudo turf club in the interest of a gigantic speculation, based on anticipated gate receipts, and, after the rain had necessitated a postponement, their willingness to have the race come off without any expense to themselves, even ascending to asking the newspapers to accept their advertisements with payment, contingent upon favorable weather and asking those who had entered their horses to take the gate receipt in commutation of the purse offered, are matters of too recent occurrence to need rehearsal. The disgraceful proceedings at the track on Tuesday last were not worse than those which followed in the disposition of the purse. It is well known that none of the owners of the horses entered for the last race put up their entrance money, the club being satisfied with their I O U's. After the race a meeting of the club and owners of the winners was held, and it is asserted that the club offered the winners the notes of the owners of the losers in lieu of the cash. The despicable meanness of such an act may be fully appreciated from the fact that the losers had been swindled outrageously by the action of the distance judges. That the winners accepted the notes is not likely, but the offering was on a par with all the acts of the club.

#### LACROSSE IN ENGLAND.

The London correspondent of the Globe says:—Sportsmen of all sorts and conditions in this country hail with delight the prospect of the coming lacrosse matches, especially University and Public Schools, and Civil Service men, who will be glad to take up and "acclimatize" the interesting and manly national game of Canada, when they have had due opportunities of seeing it played on their native soil. There is no reason to doubt that the team of whites and Indians, when they arrive in Ireland in May, will receive a very hearty Irish welcome, which will be repeated in Scotland and England when they put in an appearance. The sporting press here, in noticing their promised visit, takes the opportunity of assuring them of a very cordial reception. The only English game at all like Lacrosse is the antiquated hockey, which really is not much of a game. Lacrosse if naturalized here, will, I think, be made an autumn and winter game, as cricket occupies the place of place in our summer months, but this remains to be seen.

#### WATERING HORSES.

A full drink of water, immediately after being fed, should never be allowed to horses. When water is drunk by them the bulk of it goes directly to the large intestines, and little of it is retained in the stomach. In passing through the stomach, however, the water carries considerable quantities of the contents to where it lodges in the intestines. If, then, the food of the stomach is washed out before it is digested, no nourishment is derived from the food.

In Edinburgh some old horses were fed with split peas and then given water immediately before being killed. It was found that the water had carried the peas from fifty to sixty feet into the intestines where no digestion took place at all. Mr. Cassie is quite correct in the views set forth regarding the injurious effects of quantities of water swallowed immediately after eating. A small quantity of fluid swallowed along with, or immediately after, dry food, beneficially softens it, and assists in its division and digestion. An inordinate supply of water, or of watery fluid, on the other hand, proves injurious. It dilutes unduly the digestive secretions, it mechanically carries onward the imperfectly digested food, and thus interferes with the proper functions of the canal, and excites indigestion and diarrhoea. These untoward effects are especially apt to occur where horses freely fed and too liberally watered are shortly put to tolerably quick work. There is no more infallible method of producing colic, diarrhoea, and inflammation of the bowels. The horse is not peculiar in this effect; dogs, and even their masters, similarly suffer from copious draughts of water immediately after eating much solid food.

A man spoke recently of his "world beater" as being twenty-seven sixteenths Messenger, but a party in Des Moines, Ia., who advertises his imported draft horse as being out of a Messenger mare, has the belt.

New England has second in Kansas, and his third and fourth in Illinois, and has had plenty of snow to wallow in eleven years ago the Northern colt Bruno trotted as a four-year-old in 3.20. He was got by Hambletonian. Ten years time and three generations of noted descendants from Hambletonian have enabled the blue grass country, where colt trotting is a speciality, to beat at a half second, while in the same time, in two generations, the cold regions have beaten it nine seconds. Now take the five year old class, and we find Lady Maud's 2.24 and 2.24, both in the same race (which she won), decidedly the best. Lady Maud was bred and pasted her earlier years in Maine, and has never seen the South. The best Kentucky five-year-old is Alto West. His times 2.25 and 2.27, in the same race, which he lost.

Striking the balance, the advantage is perhaps slightly, and but very slightly, in favor of the Kentuckians on three year olds but after turning that age, the case is no longer a complicated one. The North has and can maintain the lead, if the breeders hold to the right strains of blood.

#### THE NEW WEIGHTS OF THE KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION.

We failed it seems, at the time, through some mischance, to publish the new scale of weights adopted by the Kentucky Association, held at the Phoenix Hotel Lexington, Ky., January 15th. 1876, and as we have had several enquiries to know in what the new differs from the old scale, we give below the new rule:

Weights. The following weights shall be carried, viz: Two year-olds shall carry 75 lbs.; three year-olds, 90 lbs.; and after 1st of September 95 lbs. four-year-olds, 108 lbs.; five-year-olds and upwards, 115 lbs. In all races exclusively for three-year-olds the weight shall be 100 lbs.; and after 1st of September 105 lbs.; and in all races exclusively for two year-olds the weight shall be 90 lbs.; and after 1st of September 95 lbs., except in handicaps and in races where the weights are fixed absolutely in the articles, three pounds shall be allowed to mares and geldings.

Of course these weights are applicable to all purses, but not to stakes that had closed before the adoption of the new rule.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO BILLIARD PLAYERS.

If you set out to play billiards with a feller, & you miss considerable, kuss the cue at first, & keep changin', but don't ever get one to shoot you exactly. If things continue to wurk bad, kuss the balls, wichar two small or two large. After you slip up, sware the balls ain't r, you'll bet on it. If still in the back ground, & the uther feller gainin' on you, kuss the table, wich ain't level and you know it. The uther feller'll probably larf and say that's so, & keep on makin' points. Don't forget to give the cushions a kussin' coz they don't "giv off" a bit. If you find you'r beet, take it cool & say in a sang froidy, nonchalant manner, "It's no use for me to play today, I haint got mi billyard eye on. I aint 'on it' today. I'll give you a 'hach' sum uther time, when I feel more like it. In this way you ken cum off with honor, & the uther chap iz satisfied.

#### A WOMAN WHO COULD SWIM.

The Mendocino (Cal.) Democrat prints the following: "A young married woman, Mrs. Jessup, who lives at the Hildreth, crossing of the Eel river, on the route between Ukiah and Round valley, one day last week got adrift in a small boat which had been fastened to the shore and into which she had gotten for mere pastime. There was no care in the boat and by the time she was pretty well out in the stream and apparently bound for a considerable voyage, Mrs. Jessup concluded something had to be done, so she took the rope attached to the bow of the boat in her mouth, slid or jumped into the river, swam ashore, going partially with the current and making a trip of forty yards or so, reached some willows or bushes first and then pulled through to land, towed the craft all the time and tied it safely, and then walked back to the house dripping wet and without anybody knowing anything of her excursion until she herself made her appearance and told her story."

Fishing through holes in the ice is being successfully carried on below Lancaster, near Cornwall. Large quantities of perch have been taken and forwarded to the Montreal market, where they fetch remunerative prices.

PREAKNESS.—It appears that Mr. M. H. Sanford's horse, Preakness, was not declared out of the International Newmarket Handicap by his owner. The conditions of this race compel owners to declare if they are satisfied with the weight imposed. Through ignorance of this rule, this was overlooked by Mr. Littlefield. Hence Preakness was stricken out. Apropos of Mr. Sanford's string, the impression prevails with the majority of English trainers at Newmarket that the American horses are too fleshy to run well, and that they cannot be brought down into running trim for some time. They doubt if Preakness will be in good condition for Ascot. Time will tell. It is to be supposed Mr. Littlefield knows what he is about.

The San Francisco Chronicle of March 3 says.—Mr. Little, the owner of an winning horse in the late four-mile and repeat race, has finally been paid by the Pacific Jockey Club; that is, he has made a compromise with them. Instead of the \$15,000 gold coin advertised as the first premium, after the delay of a week and many conferences, he consented to take \$6,000 coin and \$9,000 in the notes of other competitors in the race. Captain Moore and Mr. Little will remain in the city for a few days to await the result of negotiations in progress for a two-mile and repeat race between all the contestants in the late match. Mr. Little is perfectly willing to enter Foster in a two mile race. If satisfactory arrangements can be made the race will come off two weeks from Saturday next over the Bay District Course, but not under the auspices of the Pacific Jockey Club.

#### CONVENTION OF AMATEURS.

The annual meeting of the National Convention of Amateur Base Ball players was held at Philadelphia, on the 8th of March, Mr. J. G. H. Myers, of New York, presiding, and Mr. C. H. Blodgett, of New York, at his post as Secretary. Thirteen clubs, from various parts of the country, were represented, including a colored club of Washington, D. C. The report of the Secretary was read, and showed that there were thirteen applications by clubs for admission during the year, of which nine were elected. The Base Ball Convention of Syracuse, N. Y., was ruled out of the strictly amateur club? also the Braddock, Pennsylvania. After the disposal of routine business, the meeting adjourned.

#### PISCICULTURE.

Our friend, Major Hodgson, it is not generally known, has the beautiful pond on his well laid out property. "Maple Vale," stocked with valuable young salmon. The fry, which were procured from Mr. Wilmot's fish-breeding establishment, were put in last May, and there are now some eight thousand young salmon in the waters. The stream flows from the Ridges—the pond being near the fountain head—and the passage to the lake being guarded with wire. Major Hodgson does not intend propagating the young, but will keep his pond stocked as may be necessary, and expects, with care, to grow some good-sized fish. For this purpose the natural formation of the place and its surroundings, which contain plenty of the right kind of food, is well adapted. It is the only private preserve of the kind that we know of in this locality, and the place, in a couple of months, or so, when the waters are alive with the fish, will be well worthy a visit.—*Whitby Chronicle.*

At a meeting of prominent gentlemen of Guelph, held in the Queen's Hotel there on Friday, it was resolved to form an association for Wellington for the purpose of protecting game, fish and insectivorous birds. Mr. James Webster presided, and Judge Chadwick was one of the speakers. There are now quite a number of these societies in Western Ontario, and if they carry out their laudible resolves this peninsula will yet abound with fish and game to as great an extent as formerly.

During a storm the other night one of Mr. Seth Turner's preserving pounds at Mitchell's Bay was carried out, and all the fish escaped. The value of the fish lost was about \$100. The pound was found about a mile and a half from its old anchorage. Another fisherman was also a loser in the same way.





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DATES CLAIMED FOR 1876.

AMERICAN.

Table listing dates for American horse races in various locations like Louisville, New York, and Chicago.

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CANADIAN.

Canadian Stallion Race.....June 1

PURSES AND ENTRANCE FEES.

Now the season is about opening when managers of Racing Associations will be called upon to lay out their bills for the campaign...

STALLION RACE.

The proprietors of the SPORTING TIMES in this issue publish the conditions of their Stallion Race for trotting horses making the present season in Canada.

HORSE SALES.

The attention of horse buyers of all classes is directed to the advertisement of sales in to-day's paper. He would be a hard man, indeed, to suit, who could not find something in the lot to come up to his ideal.

THE SEPTILATERAL.

On March 14 the stewards of the driving parks composing the grand circuit met at the Osburn house, Rochester, N. Y., for the purpose of transacting important business.

Byrdyk, by Rydyk's Hambletonian, out of Lady Duke, by Lexington. This horse was foaled in 1865, stands 15.3, a golden bay, with both hind feet white above the pasterns, and will weigh about 1,150 pounds.

WESTERN HILL, foaled 1872, a son of Rysdyk, above mentioned, out of the Miller mare, by Bully King, a son of Geo. M. Patchen. He is 15.2, blood bay, star in forehead, and weighs about 1,000 pounds.

WILLIAM B. SMITH, foaled 1871, by Thomas Jefferson, out of imported Heather-bloom, by Tally-ho. He is a beautiful bay, 15 hands, with heavy mane and tail, and weighs about 1,100 pounds.

NORTH AMERICA, foaled 1865, by Bombardier (formerly Glencoe Chief), out of the Harrison mare, by Defiance. North America is a bay, with two white hind feet; 15.3; and weighs about 1,000 pounds.

WALKER HULETT, foaled 1868, is by Woodruff's Columbus, dam by Andrus' Hambletonian, out of a Morgan mare. He is a nice bay, with black points, 15.2; is a pure, natural gaited trotter; and is claimed to have more Messenger blood in his veins than any horse in Canada.

FEARNOUGHT CHIEF is a very fine young horse, of a bright chestnut color, and stands fully 16 hands. He comes from a trotting family, his grand sire, Old Fearnought, winning the first \$10,000 purse at Buffalo, on July 29, 1868, beating American Girl, Geo. Palmer, J. J. Bradley, Myron Perry, Col. Maynard, Victor Hugo and Molly, in 2:28 1/2, 2:28, 2:24 1/2, 2:26 1/2, Palmer getting second heat.

Messrs. Chappell & Monahan, of Detroit, Mich., have purchased from Mr. Thos. H. Clay, of Lexington, Ky., a bay gelding, 4 years old, by Gilroy, dam Astra by Austrahan; 2nd dam, Estelle by Star Davis, out of Victoire by imported Margrave.

Messrs. Young, of Erin, have sold their horse Wonderful Lad to a gentleman from Illinois. The price has not been made public, but it is said to have been a handsome one.

Rysdyk's Hambletonian is not expected to live for any length of time. He is very thin and has a copious discharge from his nose. The old "hero of Chester" has an illustrious family, who will do honor for ages to its founder.

The American Sportsman, of March 18, contains a fine portrait of the four-year-old colt Chestnut Hill, owned by Mr. J. P. Wiser, of Prescott, Ont.

Woodbine Park promises to be lively the coming season. The following trainers will probably commence working their horses there as soon as the weather opens:—Messrs. I. Harris, B. James jr., Geo. Clarkson, P. Davey and L. Ostrum.

The clover Nova Scotia horses Maratime and Islander, have wintered well at Mr. John Elliott's stable, Newmarket Course. They both look finely, and promise to be in good shape when the season opens.

It is quite possible the imported thoroughbred stallion Earl Marshall, by Lord Lyon, will make a season in the vicinity of Toronto.

Read the announcement of the SPORTING TIMES trotting stake for stallions.

The match at Orillia between McKee's Molly Darling and Hodgkinson's Fly, which was to have come off last Saturday, was drawn on account of Molly running away. She made a total wreck of the cutter. Happily the driver (who was thrown out) or the mare was not injured.

The match between St. Lawrence and Tim Allen may be trotted next September at Woodbine.

FROM PORT PERRY.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times.

Sir.—Knowing that you are at all times pleased to hear of fine stock in any part of the country; and having a leisure hour I devote it to the benefit of your columns. We have a very fine young mare here, owned by Mr. W. S. Sexton, that won the 8-minute race at Orillia, her best time being 2:44.

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[TO BE CONTINUED.]

ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE, TORONTO.

The usual weekly meeting of the Ontario Veterinary College took place. The President, Dr. A. Smith in the chair. Mr. Doan read the first paper, the subject being "An injury to the head and neck of a Horse" which had been caught in a stump while at pasture.

MONTREAL VETERINARY ASSOCIATION.

At the meeting of this Association held on Thursday evening, in the absence of the President the chair was occupied by Mr. Alloway. Messrs. Very, V. S., of Boston, and Lyman, M.R.C.V.S., of Springfield, Mass., were proposed as members of the Association, and Professors Williams and Walley, of Edinburgh, and Geo. Fleming, M.R.C.V.S., F.R.S., &c., of London, Eng., in acknowledgment of their valuable contributions to the literature of Veterinary science, were proposed and elected as honorary members.











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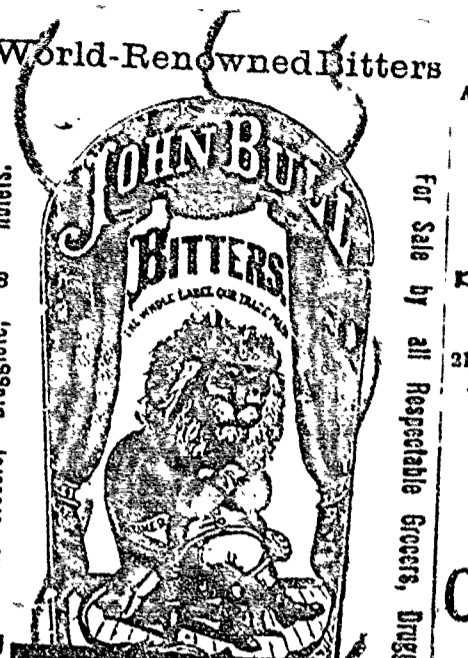
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The proprietors of the **SPORTING TIMES** have much pleasure in announcing to their patrons that they have made arrangements to present a magnificent horse picture to their advance paying subscribers for the year 1876-7. Realizing the importance of 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 MARE**, printed in nine colors and innumerable shades, size 16 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 is the *only correct likeness* of **GOLDSMITH MARE** 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**.

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