

TOPICS OF THE TURF

Up-to-date Comment on Matters Relating to That Noble Animal the Horse.

The race gathering yesterday, being the annual affair of the Ontario Jockey Club, had hardly that national appearance which has been noticeable in years past.

Stakes and was beaten in the run off. He had invested upwards of \$30,000 in three animals that a few years ago would have cost him that much apiece and had more than won them all out before the end of the meeting.

Wednesday week, June 3, is Derby day. Of recent years the day has fallen unusually often in June.

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EVERYWHERE BOHOES.

One of those cases occurred in the city the other day that, although it is only individual, goes a long way in bringing a bad habit into disrepute.

How to make a horse race through mud is a problem that has vexed many American trainers. But this is an age of invention, and the problem seems to have been solved.

Coming up on the train from Nashville, Tenn., on the morning of the Cincinnati Enquirer, a horseman friend of Billy Barrick, who is now here with Maurice and Sunup, told a little story about the racing game.

Medical science has something unusual to deal with in the case of a man, Harry Cooper, who has lost sight, hearing, sense of feeling and speech.

I have heard it said that a syndicate has been formed in Montreal to start a racing stable on an extensive and thorough scale.

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Wheeling Men and Wheeling Women.

When the racing craze was at its height the opinion was freely expressed that the day of club runs was on the wane, and that this most enjoyable feature of life would be to give way to track riding.

It may be new to cyclists, but a French physician declares it to be a fact. He says that unknown to themselves, they develop a general vibratory condition of the body.

What odd things we occasionally see carried on bicycles by utilitarian wheelmen. Strapladders, snowshoes, tin cans, paint pots, broken wheels, hockey and lacrosse sticks, baskets of groceries, and twenty foot lengths of rope.

It may not be generally known that Mr. George Orr, the well-known wheelman, is an authority on superstitious and kindred subjects.

A number of cyclists whose sense of humor was perhaps stronger than their desire to adhere to the laws of the road.

A law making it a crime for barber shops to keep open for business on Sunday has been declared unconstitutional by the Illinois Supreme Court.

I am glad to learn from those whose knowledge of the subject is more extensive than mine that there are a number of amateur riders in Toronto.

English women, with their characteristic love of propriety and form, have been slow to adopt the rational dress.

The seven C's of a cyclist. And all the world's a wheel. They are: Cleanliness, Control, Caution, Confidence, Courtesy, and Consistency.

The inventor of the safety wheel. The stupendous growth of bicycling since the "boneshaker" was invented is illustrated by a statement which comes from London.

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A REASON FOR EVERYTHING.

A system of exchanges would do the trick. Many persons who might gain great benefit from cycling are now prevented from doing so simply because they dislike to hire a bicycle.

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We are in the midst of the races and all agree with the flutter which attends our Canadian Asso. 'Tis true that the wheels are affecting the numbers of our smart people who see the annual event at the Woodbine on this beautiful day...

The list of June has been a glorious day in the annals of the British Navy. We should judge from the number of weddings which are on the cards for Tuesday, Wednesday and April when they woo, December when they wed...

Yes, indeed, it's simply awful, and to think that the Knickerbocker of Victoria any day in the week. Why, it will make me nervous when I go out again with Bob or Arthur, or Reggie or Charlie...

In some of the American papers the reporter has reached the pitch of absurdity in "writing up" the church service from a point of view. The society columns of any paper, English or American, deal with such matters...

Those names are mentioned in the paragraph above. They were written in the best of good faith. In England it is not the custom for young men to give young women flowers or sweets...

Mrs. Blair, who is stopping a few months in Canada with her daughter, Mrs. Edward Rathbun of Deseronto, is representing Mrs. Strachan in Richmond-street. The latter gave one of her delightful little teas on Tuesday afternoon.

A meeting of the Ladies' Committee of the Toronto Athletic Club was held at the Grange on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. George Williams was in conference with Messrs. Matthews, Ballin, Giffin, Kirkpatrick and Lee of the Toronto Lawn Tennis Club...

Mrs. Edward Rathbun of Deseronto is stopping at Moss Park. Mrs. Arthur Graetz and children will spend the greater part of the summer at Glenora on the Bay of Quinte, but on Monday from Major Foster's summer home.

Mr. Wellestey Ricketts has been appointed House Secretary of the Country and Hunt Club. The Shekharpani recital to be given by Mr. George Williams and Friday evening, will interest a large number of fashionable people...

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Sophia Cadogan to Sir Samuel Scott. Lady Sophie is the favorite daughter of the nobleman who now occupies the post of vicar of St. James and no such winning so much praise by the lavish manner in which he maintains the dignity of his office...

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Mr. H. F. Wyatt, who slipped and fell the other day at the Armoures, is breaking one of the bones of his leg in recovering slowly. If people will insist upon walking nowadays instead of riding, a wheel they must expect accidents.

Mr. J. H. Gray Campbell was in London a short time ago staying at the beautiful new hotel on the Thames Embankment, the Hotel Cecil. She (an American) at the Drawing Room in the case of the late Mrs. Stanley Clarke, Scott Griffin, Harold Montagu, Albert A. Moberg, G. G. Biggar, J. P. Edgar, P. C. Edgingham, Reginald Thomas, H. M. Mowat, Alfred Brown, G. G. Darling, C. S. MacInnes, A. E. Grayne.

him. The rule is not a good one. It is the result of tradition, and there is no body on earth so conservative as the English Jockey Club. The fog-signal is a variable and changeable quantity. What affects the density of the atmosphere may have on sound may be reduced to a scientific basis, but the varieties of fog horns cannot be so explained.

AGAIN ON THE NIGHT OF August 11, though distinctly heard for some time, the signals failed to reach the yachts while off the west shore of the Island, the men thinking the horns had ceased sounding. The particular craft, on which it was sailing, that night ran into the fog and was in the west of the Island, but not a sound was heard until some time afterwards when we had returned on our course and were close to the West-end of the Island.

It is a curious old custom this of blessing one after another. I recollect reading not long ago some notes on the subject of this custom, which originated with Pope Gregory, who, when a plague was raging in Rome, ordered a priest to bless the people with a violent sneezing, ordered a short prayer to be said on the appearance of this symptom by those at the bedside of the stricken one.

Cupid sneezes in his flight. Once was heard upon the right, and now upon the left he flew. Now upon the left he flew. Now upon the left he flew. Now upon the left he flew. Now upon the left he flew.

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THE TRAGEDY OF CAPT. EBENEZER GRUBB, S. A.

BY S. R. CROCKET.

Through the casual traffic of the streets the procession took its way. It was Saturday morning, and many were going to work. The streets were lined with people...

Wagon drivers hastened their last delivery before the knock-out of the afternoon. They cried to one another with the good-humored abuse of men who work with a clock...

Suddenly, to a noise of singing, the tinkling of tambourines, a silver banner clinging limply about a staff, the clear notes of a silver cornet...

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orders. At banquets, however, she takes two glasses of Burgundy. The clerk of the kitchen, who always carries a tray of champagne...

Yet there was a kind of perilous and soul-destroying joy in this running counter to his prejudice. It only for a moment. He trembled with a fearful pleasure in yielding to his impulses...

Featherham!" cried the guard, as he came clumping along, slamming the doors. The market woman bustled to get out.

"Good-by, Eva, my pony; give my love to all at home." And she was gone. Ebenezer Grubb was alone with the girl of the eyes...

"Do you like doing it?" she said, looking steadily at him, with her head tilted on its neck. "I like it," he answered.

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THE HISTORY OF DESPAIR

BEING AN INCIDENT OF THE TURF.

It was the Sunday before Ascot last year after I had settled down to a London life I received a telegram from Nobsom asking me to come. How it possible, at once, as he wanted my advice, in great distress, were the three...

"That is," said Donaldson, "if, as Maurice hints, it is not of too painful a nature for you to talk of, I would like to know what you think of it."

"No," I didn't mind telling you fellows about it, but for you to understand it, I must go back a bit, though I will cut it as short as I can."

"Before I went into the service I was in Hertfordshire with the 1st Life Guards. It was not so difficult as they tell me it is now, but anything would have done."

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THE BALLET MASTER.

At last! The rehearsal was over. For five tedious hours M. Barthelme, maître de ballet of the Imperial Theatre, had been drilling the dancers, until the corymbes were now leaning against each other or holding on to the side wings as they stood on first one foot and then the other to relieve their fatigues.

"You will run the ballet—the grand ballet—after the rehearsal. I have composed it after several rehearsals, and you must be perfect in every movement, accentuated by an occasional stamp of his foot on the floor."

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MUSIC'S REALM

Would-be singers in opera. Henry Hayes in the Boston Herald, writes the following to such:

Four weeks of lyrical music in Boston, that is to say, a double season of opera barely finished, the echoes of voices and instruments still being heard, so to speak, and already there is a baneful effect produced on young persons hereabouts who could like to be opera-singers on girls especially.

Great streams of those who go abroad for the study of music continue with all its original volume and its almost barren results. There have been more than five thousand aspirants for opera-honors supplied to Europe from the United States within the past 25 or 30 years, and yet all these have not furnished our country with more than a dozen women who are shining as stars on the lyric stage.

It is true that many more than that number have made their appearance in opera, and for a while have been prominent in a certain sense, but they do not last long. I would not have the continuous flood that is pouring from our country to Europe, of young Americans, who know of its dangers and distresses. Another singer wrote: "In Italy a beginner must pay to be mentioned by the critics or to be written up by the reporters. Moreover, money, and lots of it, must be spent before a debutante can get a hearing, especially if she is an American. For we are all supposed to be rich, and are proved upon. Sometimes they compel the debutantes to pay for the opportunity to sing."

Mr. Edward Schuch, the very efficient director of the Orchestral School, is one of our most successful vocal teachers, and his many pupils who have broken hearts and broken heads in Milan than anywhere else on earth. As for the girls who are not successful, I pray God that no friend of mine will ever venture into this infernal business. Another singer wrote: "In Italy a beginner must pay to be mentioned by the critics or to be written up by the reporters. Moreover, money, and lots of it, must be spent before a debutante can get a hearing, especially if she is an American. For we are all supposed to be rich, and are proved upon."

BUSINESS OF THE WEEK

CONDICTION OF OUR BANKS AT END OF APRIL

The decline in bank note circulation—An increase in Dominion Note—Decrease in Loan of New York Banks—What and Evulsion Markets.

The financial situation is unchanged, with the exception probably that money on call is a little more easily obtained. The fact that brokers anticipate an easier money market after the first of the month has a good influence among the speculative fraternity, and there is consequently a firmer tone to the stock market.

CONDITION OF OUR BANKS. The note circulation of Canadian banks decreased \$1,184,484 during April, the chief falling off being to the extent of \$1,000,000 in Ontario banks. The banks of Quebec show a decline of \$200,000, and the banks in the other provinces show an increase.

INCREASE IN DOMINION NOTES. The circulation of Dominion notes, including the new issue, was \$1,184,484 at the end of April, as against \$1,184,484 at the end of March. The increase of the note circulation is due to the issue of \$1,000,000 of Dominion notes during the month of April.

THE RETIRED BURGLAR. His Singular Experience a House that He "Broke" a Music Chair.

"I once had a very singular experience in a fine house in a small city in the West," said the retired burglar. "I had been in the habit of carrying off a music chair from a table in the parlor a lot of times, and I had just done so again when I was discovered by the owner."

THE PROFESSOR TRIPPED HIM. Bicyclist Johnson Badly Hurt on the University Oval.

Cretan Insurgents Repel an Attack and Inflict Considerable Loss. Athens, May 23.—Advices from Crete, the principal city of Crete, say that a force of 2000 insurgents, holding strong positions, have defeated the Turkish troops with a view of relieving the beleaguered garrison at Rethymno.

THE SATURDAY NIGHT L. The above society held its annual election of officers and members on Friday night, May 22. The following officers were elected: President, T. E. Plewson; vice-president, L. Rook; secretary, W. Coulter; treasurer, J. H. Johnson.

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