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from working in the mud, sometimes from breezing on a heavy track, when it is not muddy but still heavier than the trainer intended, he should in a given space, in consequence of the boy not being able to restrain him, or pulling him within his proper speed, running him wide on the turns, allowing him to take more fatigue than he had been instructed, or from the boy becoming fatigued and unable to hold his horse, giving him a loose rein, which allows the horse to run his best. Boys, ambitious to beat each other, may force their horses to their utmost speed, and the horse being overworked, and unsustained by his rider in his run, must become sore, and will surely show it in a day or two, and perhaps in the next gallop. All this may be remedied by a sober, attentive trainer, who goes with his horses to the track, is attentively watching the process of their exercise, and, after that, follows them closely to the stable, and watchfully cares to their cooling out, then attentively steps from stall to stall, and notes their cleaning off, sees that they are kindly treated during the process, and, when ready to feed, calls the boys and measures out the feed for each horse himself, and remains at the stable until the horses are done, examining minutely the troughs to see which had eaten their feed and which had not, and how much they had left. By such unceasing attention he will ascertain how each horse was affected by his work, which will guide him in his subsequent treatment, either of their work or a change of food, change of air, change of clothing, or a diminution of the feed. No two horses can be trained alike at all times during an entire season, either from natural conformation, weakness of organization, an inactive liver, nervous system easily prostrated from severe work, or more affected by exposure to sudden heat or cold. These, and many other things in their superstructure, cause horse to be differently affected, apparently from the same treatment, and a trainer, however well informed in other matters, must have a long and continued experience to observe and treat intelligently various differing results which horses of different organization manifest under the same treatment.

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American Turf.

AUGUSTA (GA.) JOCKEY CLUB SPRING MEETING.

AUGUSTA, Feb. 7—Purse \$100, for all ages; \$80, 20. One mile.
L Jones' br m Maria Barnes, 5 yrs, by Astor, dam Black Rose..... 1
C W Medinger's ch m Libbie L, 4 yrs..... 2
W Wyche's b f Abdallah, 4 yrs..... 3
West & Hogan's br h Ascot, 5 yrs..... 0
Time—1:54.
Same Day—Purse \$100, for all ages; \$80, 20. One mile.
L Jones' br g Jim Hinton, aged, by Rogers, dam by Loyathan..... 1
West & Hogan's br g Prang, 6 yrs..... 0
Time—2:06.
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Time—2:51.
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Time—1:53.
Same Day—Purse \$125, for all ages; \$100, 25. Two miles.
West & Hogan's b c Courier, 4 yrs, by Star Davis, dam by Lexington..... 0 1
J F Wilson's b g Tom O'Neil, 6 yrs..... 0 2
J Jones' br g Jim Hinton, aged..... 3
Time—3:49, 3:53.
Same Day—Purse \$100, for beaten horses, with allowances; \$75, 25. One mile.
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Time—1:53.

TERRA NOVA SNOW-SHOE CLUB, MONTREAL.

A steeplechase over the mountain by the members of the Terra-Nova Snow Shoe Club took place, on the evening of the 13th, the prize competed for being a very handsome medal, presented by Stanley Kincaid, Esq. Seven members entered three of whom were handicapped. The start took place from McGill College Gate, at 8:08 p.m., the winner, Charles J. LeMessurier, reaching the goal, opposite Lumphin's Hotel, at 8:24 p.m.; E. W. Mudge, second, 8:24; Thomas Elliott, 8:24; Thomas Winter, 8:24; Wm. M. LeMessurier, 8:26; Gavin Houston, 8:26; W. Kyle, 8:27. E. W. Mudge's actual time in running was 14 minutes, having been handicapped 2 1/2 minutes. G. H. Houston and W. LeMessurier, were also handicapped 15 seconds and 45 seconds, respectively. The members of the club adjourned to Lumphin's after the race, where a pleasant evening was spent. The medal was presented to the winner by the worthy President, Mr. M. Hutcheson, who, in a happy speech, congratulated Mr. LeMessurier on his success. The latter replied in a short and appropriate manner. A vote of thanks having been given to the zealous and indefatigable vice president, Mr. Wm. M. LeMessurier, who is about leaving the city on a visit to Newfoundland, and to which he replied at considerable length, the club broke up at its next hour.

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Pedestrianism.

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A STRANGE EPIDEMIC.

The London, Eng., Pall Mall Gazette says a strange epidemic among horses has made its appearance in some parts of Scotland, and there are, it is stated, more than 500 horses at the present moment suffering from its effects in Edinburgh. The disease commences with great weakness and swelling of the eyes and limbs. The left eye in the majority of cases being affected more than the right. There is also frequent intestinal disorder, and spots appear on the tongue as though from blood poisoning. The attack lasts on the average from five to twelve days. Opinions appear to differ as to whether it is infectious or not, at any rate, it is spreading rapidly, and affects horses indiscriminately in all classes of stables. One case has occurred in a cow suffering from it, and, as the animal was stalled beside a pony which had also suffered from it, there seems reason to fear that the disease must be infectious. On the other hand instances are mentioned of horses escaping the disease altogether, although occupying stables where several other horses were attacked. The dampness of the atmosphere which has lately prevailed is supposed to have originated the epidemic, and indeed the abnormal state of the weather during the last six weeks is quite sufficient to account for a very amount of sickness, not only in the stable, but also in the kennel.

WESTON AND O'LEARY.

It is now quite certain O'Leary and Weston will have a brush in a six days' race. Sir John Arkley, Lord Lennox and a few others backing Weston. There will, no doubt, be considerable excitement among the people as the time draws near for the race. The British public are anxious to see who is the best man, and will be heavily on the race. It is understood both are to be made free to race in favor of Weston.

Base Ball.

THE TECUMSEHS.

A very largely attended meeting of the Tecumseh Base Ball Association, London, was held in the Tecumseh House on the evening of the 14th, Vice-President (Ald. Jones) in the chair. The Secretary (Mr. H. Gorman), explained that the objects of the meeting were to engage a tenth man, and the propriety of joining the proposed International Association, which meets at Pittsburg on Tuesday next, the principal objects in view in the formation of which are: 1. An alliance to further the best interests of the game of base ball, and for the protection of both clubs and players in the matter of contracts and engagements. 2. The adoption of such rules as will secure the above-named objects, and provide uniform regulations for the government of clubs and players in their intercourse with each other. Mr. Gorman also enumerated the engagements perfected, and the salaries promised, and asked the opinion of the members thereupon. A general discussion was then indulged in, the unanimous expression being that the managers had made the best possible engagements, and that the nine as constituted would be a hard one to beat. On motion, the managers were empowered to procure the services of a competent player, whose duty will be to act as manager of the nine when playing foreign matches. Mr. Gorman was appointed a delegate to the Pittsburgh Convention. Mr. W. J. Reid (of W. J. Reid & Co.) was added to the list of managers by an unanimous vote. The procuring of suitable grounds was left in the hands of the managers. The meeting then broke up. The Association was never in a better financial position than at present.

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The London Mutual Honorary President, Mr. W. B. Meredith, M.P.P. President, Walter Mummy; Vice-President, J. Gleason, Secretary, J. McDowell. Treasurer, E. Kidner; Captain, W. Mountjoy. The following are the playing nine for 1877.—Messrs. Mountjoy, Slater, Campbell, Dunn, Tierney, Welch, Thompson, Morrison and Steinhoff.

The Trigger.

SHOOTING AT BEACHVILLE.

A shoot for a purse of \$25 took place at Beachville, on the 15th inst. The conditions were to shoot at 6 birds each. The purse was divided into three parts \$10 to first, \$6 to second, and \$4 to third. Mr. W. H. Prout, hotel keeper, had the management of the affair. The following is the score.

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No drunkard, let him be ever so intelligent, can successfully train a stable of horses. His whole stable economy becomes demoralized, for he sets a bad example, which is sure to be followed and repeated during his absence or while drunk, in the kicking, slapping, and knocking about boys and horses, thereby bringing all order and system to an end. When he goes out drunk upon the track with his horses, he will swagger around, hallo to his boys, change his instructions, and, in his drunken vanity, endeavor to show the other trainers what he can do with horses. Although his horses may be unprepared, he will, just as likely as not, order a trial run or brush every time they come through the stretch side by side or all abreast, or he will send them off in a three or four mile gallop, and instruct the boys to run their best the last two miles, and, if the weather is hot, he is sure to have a blanket and hood upon each horse. All horses are mostly overtrained in the hands of the best trainers, sometimes by working too many horses together, sometimes

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(To be Continued.)

A correspondent in Rod and Gun sends a specific for dog distemper. It is simply brown, German, soap. Take a piece about the size and shape of the thumb—say one half of an oz. for a pup five or six months old; one third more for a full-grown dog. Force it down his throat and rub his neck until you are satisfied that he has swallowed it. Intermit one day, and on the third day administer again and again on the fifth day. Two doses are usually sufficient. It acts readily on the liver and the kidneys. I had at one time five dogs—three setters and two pointers—attacked with this disease. Four were cured in six days. One managed, as I afterwards learned, to vomit up the soap, and proved to be the worst case of distemper that I ever met with. This one I finally treated with blue mass and quinine. It was four weeks before he walked about. Had I known that he had expectorated the soap at the time, there would have been no need of blue mass and quinine.

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West & Hogan's br g Praug, 6 yrs 0
Time—2:06½.

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Gill College Gate, at 8:30 p.m. The winner, Charles J. LeMessurier, reaching the goal opposite Lumpkin's Hotel, at 8:34 p.m., E. W. Mudge, second, 8:34½; Thomas Elliott, 8:34½; Thomas Winter, 8:35½; Wm. M. LeMessurier, 8:26; Gavin Houston, 8:26½; W. Kilo, 8:27. E. W. Mudge's actual time in running was 14 minutes, having been handicapped 2½ minutes. G. H. Houston and W. LeMessurier, were also handicapped 15 seconds and 45 seconds, respectively. The members of the club adjourned to Lumpkin's after the race, where a pleasant evening was spent. The medal was presented to the winner by the worthy President, Mr. M. Hutchings, who, in a happy speech, congratulated Mr. LeMessurier on his success. The latter replied in a short and appropriate manner. A vote of thanks having been given to the zealous and indefatigable vice president, Mr. Wm. M. LeMessurier, who is about leaving the city on a visit to Newfoundland, and to which he replied at considerable length, the club broke up at its usual hour.

A STRANGE EPIDEMIC.

The London, Eng., Pall Mall Gazette says a strange epidemic among horses has made its appearance in some parts of Scotland, and there are, it is stated, more than 500 horses at the present moment suffering from its effects in Edinburgh. The disease commences with great weakness and swelling of the eyes and limbs, the left eye in the majority of cases being affected more than the right. There is also frequently intestinal disorder, and spots appear on the tongue as though from blood poisoning. The attack lasts on the average from five to twelve days. Opinions appear to differ as to whether it is infectious or not; at any rate, it is spreading rapidly, and affects horses indiscriminately in all classes of stables. One case has occurred in a cow suffering from it, and, as the animal was stalled beside a pony which had also suffered from it, there seems reason to fear that the disease must be infectious. On the other hand instances are mentioned of horses escaping the disease altogether, although occupying stables where several other horses were attacked. The dampness of the atmosphere which has lately prevailed is supposed to have originated the epidemic, and indeed the abnormal state of the weather during the last six weeks is quite sufficient to account for any amount of sickness, not only in the stable, but also in the kennel.

WESTON AND O'LEARY.

It is now quite certain O'Leary and Weston will have a brush in a six days' race. Sir John Astley, Lord Lennox and a few others backing Weston. There will, no doubt, be considerable excitement among the people as the time draws near for the race. The British public are anxious to see who is the best man, and will bet heavily on the race. It is understood bets are being made five to one in favor of Weston. One thing, this is a genuine match and no boy's play. If Weston expects to win this race, he must go in earnest and leave out all his high-falutin notions. Excuses will avail him nothing this time. If he gets beaten, he might as well pack up and go home. If he wins, he can make all the money he wants. It is business this time. Weston, at present, is doing nothing, while O'Leary is at work on short matches, and will come to the score in good form. Both men must do their level best, and if they are in fine condition and walk five hundred miles will not win the race. It is too soon to form an opinion as to who will win. They both feel the importance of the race, and wish to win.

DEATH OF SUNDOWN—In Lafayette County, Mo., this fast race-horse, and handsomely bred stallion, terminated his career in death. He was carried to Upper Missouri by the well-known Western breeder, Mr. M. Grady, of Warrensburg, and his loss is a serious one to the stock interest of that country. He was a chestnut, foaled 1865, by Uncle Vic, out of imp. Sanny South, by Irish Bird-catcher; and dam Equal, by The Cure; 3rd dam Equation, by Emilie, then through Maria, by Whisker, to the D'Arcy black-legged Royal mare, his twelfth dam.

Mr. John W. Harbeck, New York City, has bought of Wm. H. Shaw, Middletown, N. Y., the bay trotting mare Frank Eaton, (Cate Sayre) by Rydyk's Hambletonian, dam by Kimball Jackson, for \$1,000.

The International Association, which met at Pittsburg on Tuesday next, the principal object in view in the formation of which are: 1. An alliance to further the best interests of the game of base ball, and for the protection of both clubs and players in the matter of contracts and engagements. 2. The adoption of such rules as will secure the above-named objects, and provide uniform regulations for the government of clubs and players in their intercourse with each other. Mr. Gorman also enumerated the engagements perfected, and the salaries promised, and asked the opinion of the members thereupon.

A general discussion was then indulged in, the unanimous expression being that the managers had made the best possible engagements, and that the nine as constituted would be a hard one to beat.

On motion, the managers were empowered to procure the services of a competent player, whose duty will be to act as manager of the nine when playing foreign matches.

Mr. Gorman was appointed a delegate to the Pittsburgh Convention. Mr. W. J. Reid (of W. J. Reid & Co.) was added to the list of managers by an unanimous vote.

The procuring of suitable grounds was left in the hands of the managers.

The meeting then broke up. The Association was never in a better financial position than at present.

At the annual meeting of the London Beaver club in the City Hotel, on the 14th, the following officers were elected: President, Mr. W. J. Reid; Vice-President, Mr. W. Hyman; Secretary-treasurer, Mr. Cameron Currie; Capt., Mr. Charles Trebilcock; Assistant Captain, Mr. J. Phair; Managing Committee, Messrs. Fred. Trebilcock, H. Ryan and A. Rosse. The selection of the nine was laid over.

The London Mutual—Honorary President, Mr. W. B. Meredith, M.P.P.; President, Walter Munro; Vice-President, J. Gleason; Secretary, J. McDowell; Treasurer, E. Kidner; Captain, W. Mountjoy. The following are the playing nine for 1877:—Messrs. Mountjoy, Slater, Campbell, Dunn, Tierney, Welch, Thompson, Morrison and Steinhoff.

The Trigger.

SHOOTING AT BRACHVILLE.

A shoot for a purse of \$20 took place at Brachville, on the 15th inst. The conditions were to shoot at 5 birds each. The purse was divided into three parts: \$10 to first, \$6 to second, and \$4 to third. Mr. W. H. Priest, hotel keeper, had the management of the affair. The following is the score:

SHOOTERS	21 YDS.	25 YDS.
J E Thacker	1 0 1 1 1—4	
W Manders	1 1 0 0 1—3	011—3
A Mayhew	1 1 0 0 1—3	010—1
G Harwood	0 0 1 1 0—2	
J Pascoe	0 1 1 0 0—2	
J Forbes	0 1 0 0 1—3	
E Grant	0 0 0 1 0—1	
—Cook	0 0 0 1 0—1	
J McMurry	0 1 0 0 0—1	

This was followed by a four-handed match, Messrs. Harwood and Manders against Messrs. Pascoe and Forbes, for \$20. It will be seen the score was a tie, and the shooters having run out of cartridges, a draw was agreed to.

Manders	11110—4
Harwood	11101—4

Pascoe	11111—5
Forbes	10011—3

Subsequently a match was made between the above parties for \$100, to be shot at Woodstock, on the 30th.

BALD EAGLE CAUGHT—On Friday morning Mr. C. J. McMillan, of Erin, exhibited a large bald eagle on the Guelph market. The bird had been killed by eating liver saturated with arsenic, which had been placed to poison foxes. It was placed in the hands of taxidermist.

DIGBY GRAND.

CHAPTER II.

WESTWARD HO!

Struck by the quaintness of the demand, Cartouch questioned the little applicant, and elicited from him that he had run away from the headquarters of racing, for the very plausible reason that he could not get enough to eat; that he had no home, no where to go. 'Where are your parents?' was the next question. 'A'nt got none,' was the reply—'father's hanged.' 'Hanged for?' 'For killing mother,' was the unflinching answer of the candid orphan. The upshot of it was, that Cartouch took him as a cabin-boy, promoted him as he grew too big for that office to a groom; and discovered one fine morning that he had walked off without a word of notice, but had taken none of his master's property with him, not even his own livery-clothes. Why he went away remained a mystery, nor was it ever satisfactorily explained; but the next place the Colonel met him in was the Mauritius, where he was acting body-coachman to a highly respectable widow-lady. Here he expressed a desire to re-enter his former service, and was again placed in the Colonel's stable, where his knowledge of 'training,' picked up in early life, was turned to account. Since then, he had accompanied his master's horses wherever they went, and he was now Mr. Gamblin, a very important personage, and an immense card with all the junior officers of the 101st. I believe he had no Christian name. Such was the worthy who formed the third in a highly important conclave, carried on in a roomy stable in the immediate vicinity of the Plains of Abraham.

It was just six o'clock on a sweltering summer's morning, a few days before the Quebec races—no uninteresting meeting, and one to which the sportsmen of the States were not likely to send their worst horses—"not if they knew it." Early as was the hour, we had been long stirring, and were thinking of breakfast. I had just dismounted, after riding a gallop on Kitty Clare, the favourite for a great stake to come off next week—"officers up,"—and Colonel Cartouch, his trainer, and myself were in earnest discussion as to the probability of success.

'Is Squire Sauley comin'?' demanded the anxious trainer. 'I see him at Buffalo, and he told me he should enter Fancy Jack for the Colony Plate. If he comes, Colonel, and Fancy Jack starts, we shall have a tough job to pull through. I can't get the Squire's length, Colonel; and what's more, I don't think any man can—they're deep 'uns, are these Yankees.'

'Fancy Jack's a smart horse,' said the Colonel; but the grey mare beat 'im last fall at Toronto, and Kitty Clare gave her three pounds and a beating at Montreal; besides, Mr. Grand can ride twenty to one better than Major Muffin who piloted her that time. It must come off, Gamblin. Don't you think so?' added the Colonel, appealing to me.

I certainly had great confidence in Kitty Clare; I had ridden her several times in matches, &c., and had always won with as little as possible to spare, so that she was not esteemed by any means as good an animal as she deserved to be. This was not so difficult a matter as many might suppose; for, with all her speed and courage, she was gentle and tractable to a degree, and had a mouth sensitive as the finest instrument, which even the black jockeys she sometimes carried were not able to spoil. Many a roué, to say nothing of dollars, had she put into my pocket, as well as her owner's; and now they were betting three to one against her in consideration of Fancy Jack's performance; and we anticipated, indeed, a golden victory. As we cantined our backs back to the citadel, deep and earnest was our consultation as to the best means of ascertaining Fancy Jack's capabilities; and the Colonel, with all his experience, confessed himself to be at fault. 'I can make nothing of this fellow Sauley,' said he; 'and I confess he is beyond my flight alto ether. I know him well, and have been down to stay with him in his racing establishment at Baltimore. He has sixty or seventy horses in training, and only black fellows to look after them superintending the whole thing himself. I was there for ten days, and he appeared to me to be drunk the whole time; but had I tried to get the better of him, I have no doubt I should have found out my mistake. The way he cleaned out a South-

quantity of clean linen. The Colonel and myself received our distinguished guest on his disembarkment from the steamer, and pressed on him our hospitable offers of board and lodging, as arms-in-arm we toiled up the steep ascent of the lower town—the Squire retaining his luggage, which no entreaty would induce him to part with. The day was hot, and my new acquaintance, as he expressed it, 'a thirsty critter; so each hotel we passed on our pilgrimage called forth the same observation, 'I guess I shall go in and paint.' Three times we 'painted' accordingly, and after two 'sherry-cobblers' and a 'mint-julep,' the Squire became extremely communicative. We talked of his country and the 'Britishers,' and the States army and the 'Brady Guards,' a distinguished volunteer corps; and I was severely catbashed as to my own home and family, and whether Haverley Hall was a 'considerable clearin'; but not one word was dropped, although I watched for it eagerly as a cat for a mouse, concerning the all-important topic of Fancy Jack and the coming races. No, deep as a draw-well was the Yankee, and he had 'a pretty loud notion 'twas not in the Britishers to tree him, not nohow they could fix it; and this idea seemed to have taken such entire possession of his mind, that all subjects connected with racing were as studiously banished from his conversation as though 'ad been a dissenting person, instead of what he should call him in England, a 'Leviathan of the turf.' We had a large party that day to dinner; but I made it my own especial study to take care of Squire Sauley, thinking, in the verdancy of my youth, that under the influence of good cheer and agreeable conversation, I might be able to get something out of him. He was evidently unused to a mess-table, but, like all our brethren 'over the water,' he soon accommodated himself to such customs and usages as were new to him, more especially that of drinking wine with each other in social good-fellowship—a ceremony which he found so much to his taste as to continue it after the cloth was drawn and the claret going its rounds—thereby pledging his new friends more repeatedly than is our custom in 'the old country.'

I have said the Squire's requirements in the ways of 'purple and fine linen' were of the most moderate kind, and his ideas upon the necessity of ablution seemed to be formed upon the same simple and inartificial plan. The wine had for some time been going its rounds, and grateful was the high-flavored vintage of Bordeaux after a day on which the thermometer had stood no lower than eighty in the shade. Captain Jessamy, who always got more and more amiable and gentlemanlike as the decanters waned, was expressing to Sauley his admiration of the latter's country, his pleasure in travelling through its noble scenery, and his approbation of its excellent and moderate hotels—the only drawback to which was the very scanty allowance of the limped element in the smallest of basins and ewers; 'so small, sir,' lisped 'Lavender Jem,' as we called him, 'that for three days, Mr. Sauley, I give you my honor, I was obliged to content myself with washing my face and hands, and nothing more.' 'Nothin' more!' hiccupped the Squire; 'waal! mister; you air particular. Look at me, Mister; my name's Sauley! I a'nt a nigger; I aint—for fifty-seven years this child ha'nt washed, 'ceptin' face and hands on Sabbath, and often not that! G'long hoss!' concluded our informant, with roars of laughter at Jessamy's countenance pending this candid and not over clean confession.

The fun was by this time getting fast and furious, and obeying a telegraphic signal from Cartouch, I slipped out of the mess-room, leaving my Yankee friend the centre of a listening and admiring throng of his entertainers. How pure, how beautiful was the midnight sky, its myriads of stars glittering with a radiance unknown in our duller and thicker atmosphere! how heavenly was the mellow lustre of the moon, basking in floods of beauty the silver bosom of the broad St. Lawrence, and deepening into blackness the shade of its wooded banks—as I looked down from the Queen's Bastion on one of the fairest scenes America can produce. Instinctively, as we lit our cigars, the Colonel and I paced leisurely past the sentries to that favorite spot, and as we leaned upon a gun in uninterrupted enjoyment of the sweet summer night, enhanced by contrast with the noisy scene of dissipation we had just quitted, I remarked on my companion's countenance a softened expression of melancholy which I had only once before seen to settle on those chiselled features, and I knew that his spirit was with the days that were

ning through the dubious twilight with the utmost confidence.—The first round brought them within ten yards of our covert, and their identity was placed beyond a doubt.—Fancy Jack leading, and our grey mare well up. The important race was to be twice round, about two miles, and it appeared that the same distance had been selected for the trial. The second time they passed us, an attention was visible in the order of their running; the horses were abreast, but Fancy Jack was still pulling hard, whilst Kitty Clare was striding away in her usual easy-going fashion, but having apparently nothing to spare in order to keep pace with her antagonist. Up went our glasses to see the finish; the pace increased with startling velocity. The little jockeys, one a black fellow, set to with a will, and gamely steeds answered to the call. Fancy Jack came with a rush, but our gallant mare kept her place at his quarters. Short the distance to the wished-for goal, but the gray horse had evidently shot his bolt, he changed his leg, the mare drew gradually but steadily upon him, and three more strides landed Kitty Clare a winner by a length.

In a short and hurried consultation, we agree to make a considerable detour on our way back to the citadel, that our presence at this important contest might not be discovered. It was evident our animal was the best; we feared nothing else in the race now that Fancy Jack was disposed of, and we agreed that if we could only discover the weights to be correct, we would back Kitty Clare for all the money we could get on before the result of the trial was made public. 'Pain will find that out for us; I can trust the fellow with anything; and by Jove, Grand, if it only comes off, we shall walk into these Yankees "pretty considerable handsome," I estimate,' said the Colonel, aply mimicking Mr Sauley's very peculiar tone and pronunciation.

From that day till the race came off, I lost no opportunity of backing the mare I was to ride. It was obvious that Squire Sauley did not fancy his horse with the fanciful name, as no consideration would induce him to invest a dollar upon the grey. This convinced me more that he was aware of the result of the trial which had taken place with his connivance. I gathered fresh confidence, and, like Cartouch, backed Kitty Clare to win me a small fortune, particularly with one greedy individual, a shabby American from St. Louis, whose capital appeared inexhaustible, and who, it never occurred to me, might be making any number of bets on our admission for another.

The first day's racing, with its successes, its failures, its heat, its noise, its flirtations, lotteries, luncheons, and sherry-cobblers, must be passed over. Captain Tims was there, having journeyed from Montreal to be present; likewise Mrs. Tims and constant Spooner, ever at the fair Julia's side. But, alas! Spooner was not seen to such advantage here as on 'the ocean wave.' In an evil hour, he had allowed himself to be inveigled into riding the Wild Hawk for a hurdle-race (hurdles four feet and a-half high, warrant-d not to bend or break!) with which the dimensions of the meeting were to close. Equitation was not poor Spooner's forte, and under the solemn conviction that he should not survive the morrow's exploit, he was nervous, absent, and dispirited, or, as Mrs. Tims remarked, 'a greater gaby than ever!' At last the saddling-bell rings, the stewards call for Mr. Grand, who is ready, dressed, and weighed, exact to a pound—for this have I been walking miles, wrapped in clothing under a scorching sun—for this have I abstained from Seguenay salmon, and canvas-back duck, and passed untasted the amber 'Hodson's Pale,' the ruddy 'Carbonell's '25; and this is my reward—the moment has come. Accompanied by Cartouch, I walk up the course, the cynosure of a thousand eyes, and indubitably a hero to my own company, the privates of which back 'littl' Grand—through thick and thin. Kitty Clare looks perfection, and as I am lifted on her shapely back, and pass my hand in fond caress down her arching crest, the skin is soft and smooth as satin, the muscle hard and tough as steel. 'Fit to run for ten men's lives,' says the Colonel, as he walks alongside with his hand on my knee, for a few more last words. 'Never mind the others; wait upon Fancy Jack, and come at the finish—you r-remember?'

I nodded intelligently, and took my place in the smothering, impatient rank. There were five others to start, but small notice did I take of any one but Squire Sauley's whose colors I now saw close to me, worn by a man with whom I was not acquainted, an officer of a militia corps, but of whom I had heard

honest as the day; but it will not do, I feel that I must be backstopping—the struggle subsiding the moment I see I am not without difficulty, conscious that Fancy Jack has done me by a short half-length.

Nothing for it but to 'pay and look pleasant,'—such are the uncertainties of a pursuit on which men spend their lives and fortunes. I was dreadfully annoyed, on Cartouch's account as well as my own. In vain the latter, with his usual recklessness, strove to console me by his assurances that nothing could have been better than my jockeyship, that no power on earth could have saved the race as it was run—that the trials we had witnessed had evidently been 'a got-up-thing to deceive us. I was spirited to a degree, and could not bring myself to take any interest in the concluding sports of the meeting, the most amusing of which was poor Spooner's dreaded hurdle race, in which he distinguished himself by a series of eccentricities performed by the 'Wild Hawk,' who was not to be prevailed upon to take the first leap, and consequently had to be brought to his stables, guiltless of any active share in the contest, which was eventually carried off by an adventurous Yankee, who having 'as he declared, a 'nervous' horse, gave the animal half-a-bottle of port wine in a sponge, and drinking the other half himself, came in a triumphant winner. But even this failed to amuse me. I was very sore at having been overreached so completely by the Yankee squire; nor was there much consolation in the conviction at which, on putting together all we knew, Cartouch and I arrived—viz., that Sauley, having two grey horses much resembling one another, had encouraged both 'the trial' and our discovery thereof, had thrown dust in our eyes by running his inferior horse, and declining to back the actual flyer in person, whilst he took everything he could get upon him 'by commission,' and finally brought out the real 'Fancy Jack' to carry off the stakes, the bets, and the honor and glory of 'getting pretty considerably to windward of the Britishers.'

CHAPTER III.

THE CHAINS OF THE COLONIES.

'When the heart of a man is oppressed with care, sings the time-honored muse of The Beggar's Opera, to the effect that there is no period when the male heart is so susceptible to woman's charms as when suffering from disappointment, no matter from whence it arises. It was natural that in my depressed state of feelings I should turn for consolation to those dark eyes that had been watching my endeavors, and that would have sparkled—oh! how brightly—at my success. Charming Zoe de Grand Martigny! sweetest of the transplanted daughters of sunny France, flourishing in a clime whose summer is even more glowing than thine ancestors' own, what a bright specimen wert thou of Canadian loveliness, no mean type of the sex! I see her now with her long glossy raven hair, her tall, undulating form; her clean, sallow complexion; and above all, those large liquid, dreamy black eyes, that might have driven many a wiser ensign than myself out of his senses. Right and left had those orbs done execution amongst the too susceptible ranks of the British army, but no one could boast at least with any justice—for verily upon this subject man is fearfully given to lying—but no one could justly boast of having made any impression on Zoe de Grand-Martigny. Was it my fault that, like other mortals, I was attracted by the light, and fluttered round, playing at sentiment till I burnt my own fingers? or could I help the foreign Zoe taking a pleasure in what she called my English braquerie, and preferring my society to that of all her other dangers, probably for the simple reason that I was less devoted to her than the rest? 'If you would have a woman love you,' said Zoe, many a year afterwards, when, like the butterfly that has been handled, the gloss and freshness were worn off our feelings never to return. 'If you would really have a woman devoted to you, beware of letting her discover that you reciprocate the whole of her affection. Anxiety and uncertainty will enhance in her eyes the value of the treasure which she is not quite certain she possesses.' This may be true, like many other uncomfortable doctrines, but it would have been better and wiser had we never been on terms to speculate in this manner on man's weakness, or discuss subjects fraught with so much danger in such company.

ter been left unaided, and gave way to feelings that should rise again like ghosts of the past to embitter with their shadowy mockery the ungrateful days to come.' De Grand-Martigny was below with three other daughters, alas! all motherless, and never seemed to trouble himself as to what became of Zoe. Being the eldest—such an eldest I just eighteen—she had the control and management of the family. Her father, an indolent, disappointed man, who looked as if his life had been spent in struggles, one 'another, with fortune, till he was awfully weary of contention, and willing to go without effort down the stream, was in the habit of leaving everything to his eldest daughter, which gave her a confidence and self-reliance as far beyond her years as it was prejudicial to her interests. He, good man, enjoying his siesta in the cabin, never seemed to think that Zoe and the young soldier on deck might 'twice be indulging in dreams, though not quite so harmless in their tendency, and the moon was up when they parted for the night, acknowledged lovers, if truth must be told. Little had been spoken that could bear the construction of love-making, less that could mean anything in the shape of a pledge; but there is a language that needs not the interpretation of the lip, and we felt that we understood one another.

Youth is not prone to analyse the feelings, and is proverbially careless of consequences, so that it can secure the enjoyment of the hour. Even then I was conscious that my feelings towards Mlle. de Grand-Martigny were purely of a selfish nature; she thought of marrying me, or rather marrying 'at all, never for an instant crossed my mind. What I should I, Digby Grand, in the flower of youth and hope, with life and all its triumphs and enjoyments opening before me, delighting in my profession, and devoted far too much to the vanities of the world—should I, with my eyes open, hold my wrists out for the matrimonial fetters, and deliberately sacrifice my own liberty to give a lady hers? Forbid it, common sense! Miss Jones had given me a lesson—in my ignorance, I thought—as to the value of woman's love. Let poets prate about 'its priceless gem,' as they call it, if they will, I knew better the worth of the article, and firmly resolved that 'I could not do it for the money.' Still it was very pleasant living constantly with Zoe, finding her taking such a deep interest in all my doings, my likes and dislikes, my profession and my pleasures, watching her graceful form, and basking in the light of her glorious eyes; so, day after day, regardless of what might come of it, looking not an hour beyond the present, I paraded my own selfish amusement and gratification, nor cared to anticipate the time when she, with all her earnest truthfulness, should find that she had anchored her hopes upon a dream, and I should discover that, according to the old proverb, certain classes of persons, if they will meddle with edged tools, cannot always hope to escape scathless.

Who can describe Niagara? From the loftiest harp that have hymned the praise of Nature, down to that unsophisticated follower of the muse who pays his artless tribute to her glories in those glowing stanzas, commencing—

'Niagara! Niagara! you are indeed a staggerer!!!'

—vide the album kept for inspection at the Falls—that wonder of the world has indeed suffered enough at the hands of scriblers to insure an immunity from the pen of an unlettered soldier, whose military career commenced ere the Horse Guards required from the astonished subaltern, before he is eligible to command a troop or company, a fund of information that would almost obtain a position of a Senior Wrangler. The calm Lake Erie, the whirling rapids, and the rush of the cataract, are not to be embodied in sentences and syllables. When the painter's brush can realize the most gorgeous conceptions of the painter's intellect—when the poet is able to weave the brightest colors of his dream into a form of words that shall satisfy himself, nor leave ought wanting to the imagination unsatisfied and unattainable, then may we hope to read a description worthy of the indescribable Niagara—but not till then.

'What do you expect to see?' said Major Halberd to me before I started for the Falls—the sea tumbling down from the moon? If you anticipate anything short of this, you will not be disappointed.' And truly I was not disappointed. But majestic as was this masterpiece of Nature in her sublimest mood, and deep as were my feelings of awe and admiration in contemplating this miracle of the waters in all its phases—in short, in doing Niagara, which takes at least a week—there was room left in my heart for other

"Squire Sauley comm'?" demanded the man in the uniform. "I see him at Buffalo, and he told me he should enter Fancy Jack for the Colony Plate. If he comes, Colonel, and Fancy Jack starts, we shall have a tough job to pull through. I can't get the Squire's length, 'Colonel'; and what's more, I don't think any man can—they're deep 'uns, are these Yankee."

"Fancy Jack's a smart horse," said the Colonel, but the grey mare beat him last fall at Toronto, and Kitty Clare gave her three pounds and a beating at Montreal; besides, Mr. Grand can ride twenty to one better than Major Muff's who piloted her that time. It must come off, Gamblin. Don't you think so?" added the Colonel, appealing to me.

I certainly had great confidence in Kitty Clare; I had ridden her several times in matches, &c., and had always won with as little as possible to spare, so that she was not esteemed by any means as good an animal as she deserved to be. This was not so difficult a matter as many might suppose; for, with all her speed and courage, she was gentle and tractable to a degree, and had a mouth sensitive as the finest instrument, which even the black jockeys she sometimes carried were not able to spoil. Many a roll-up, to say nothing of dollars, had she put into my pocket, as well as her owner's; and now they were betting three to one against her in consideration of Fancy Jack's performances; and we anticipated, indeed, a golden victory. As we cantered our hacks back to the citadel, deep and earnest was our consultation as to the best means of ascertaining Fancy Jack's capabilities; and the Colonel, with all his experience, confessed himself to be at fault. "I can make nothing of this fellow Sauley," said he; "and I confess he is beyond my 'fight' alto ether. I know him well, and have been down to stay with him in his racing establishment at Baltimore. He has sixty or seventy horses in training, and only black fellows to look after them superintending the whole thing himself. I was there for ten days, and he appeared to me to be drunk the whole time; but had I tried to get the better of him, I have no doubt I should have found out my mistake. The way he cleaned out a Southerner, a fine young Carolinian, who made a series of matches with him, was, as the Squire himself would have said, "a caution;" and Colonel Dodge, who boasts himself "a 'cute old 'coon from Mississippi," acknowledges that he cannot hold a candle to Sauley. However, the old robber is by way of being a gentleman, and we must ask him to mess, if he does come; and I think, Grand, you will be amused with a real Yankee character. As for Fancy Jack, I am convinced my mare can beat him if she gets fair play; and on our own course, with officers to ride, I think it will be hard if we cannot manage that. I shall not hedge a farthing." "No more shall I, Colonel," said I; and with this doughty resolution, we separated to dress for the usual morning parade.

The eventful week arrived, and with it came Squire Sauley, much to Mr. Gamblin's disgust. He brought with him several capital horses, and amongst others the renowned Fancy Jack; but it struck me that for a gentleman making a tour of some five or six weeks from his own home, his luggage was sparing and simple beyond anything I had conceived possible. One tiny valise of shining black leather, which he carried in his hand, contained the whole necessary wardrobe of the modern Diogenes—although unlike that amiable heathen, no one could accuse Mr Sauley of living entirely in his tub. I had not then travelled in the United States, and was little aware of the many crafty inventions, such as 'collars,' 'bosoms,' as they call them, and other trifles, which, with that locomotive nation, super-

se the necessity of carrying about a large

trunk, and grateful was the ingu-naver's vintage of Bordeaux after a day on which the thermometer had stood no lower than eighty in the shade. Captain Jessamy, who always got more and more amiable and gentlemanlike as the decaunters waned, was expressing to Sauley his admiration of the latter's country, his pleasure in travelling through its noble scenery, and his approbation of its excellent and moderate hotels—the only drawback to which was the very scanty allowance of the limped element, in the smallest of basins and ewers; "so small, sir," hisped 'Lav-nder Jem,' as we called him, "that for three days, Mr. Sauley, I give you my honor, I was obliged to content myself with washing my face and hands, and nothing more." "Nothin' more!" hiccupped the Squire; "waal I mister; you air particular. Look at me, Mister; my name's Sauley! I aint a nigger; I aint—for fifty-seven years this child ha'n't washed, 'ceptin' face and hands on Sabbath, and oft-n not that! 'G'long hoss!" concluded our informant, with roars of laughter at Jessamy's countenance—ending this candid and not over clean confession.

The fun was by this time getting fast and furious, and obeying a tel-graphic signal from Cartouch, I slipped out of the mess-room, leaving my Yankee friend the centre of a listening and admiring throng of his entertainers. How pure, how beautiful was the midnight sky, its myriads of stars glittering with a radiance unknown in our duller and thicker atmosphere! How heavenly was the mellow lustre of the moon, bathing in floods of beauty the silver bosom of the broad St. Lawrence, and deepening into blackness the shade of its wooded banks—as I looked down from the Queen's Bastion on one of the fairest scenes America can produce. Instinctively, as we lit our cigars, the Colonel and I paced leisurely past the sentries to that favorite spot, and as we leaned upon a gun in uninterrupted enjoyment of the sweet summer night, enhanced by contrast with the noisy scene of dissipation we had just quitted, I remarked on my companion's countenance a softened expression of melancholy which I had only once before seen to settle on those chiselled features, and I knew that his spirit was with the days that were gone by. Yet lively and pointed as usual was his conversation, and in a few words he informed me that he had reason to suppose, from what his Spanish servant told him, that there was collusion between Gamblin and Sauley's trainer, and that he strongly suspected it was their intention to try their respective masters' horses the following morning, and make their own arrangements upon the result. It was accordingly agreed that we should be on the Plains of Abraham by daybreak, and, concealing ourselves somewhere in the neighborhood of the course, by means of a pair of good glasses we should discover whether Mr. Gamblin was or was not to be depended on. Pursuant to this arrangement, the earliest streaks of dawn saw Cartouch and myself artistically clothed in the least conspicuous costume, creeping cautiously along a high thick hedge that skirts the race-ground, known to many an exhausted jockey as 'the Marchmont Fence,' and presenting the rather unusual spectacle of gentlemen 'touting' their own horse. With the skill of a practised deer-stalker, my companion took up a position behind an imperious thicket, and drawing a pair of double-barrelled glasses from his pocket, carefully adjusted them for the discovery. We had not waited long, ere, through the early grey morning, we made out four figures upon the plain busily engaged in stripping two horses, one of which, even in that light, we had no difficulty in recognizing as Colonel Cartouch's Kitty Clare—and the other, was a doubtless Fancy Jack.

Small time was wasted in preliminaries; a couple of dwarfs were hoisted into their saddles, and away they went—making run-

mission for another.

The first day's racing, with its successes, its failures, its heat, its noise, its flirtations, lotteries, luncheons, and sherry-cobblers, must be passed over. Captain Tims was there, having journeyed from Montreal to be present; likewise Mrs. Tims and constant Spooner, ever at the fair Julia's side. But, alas! Spooner was not seen to such advantage here as on 'the ocean wave.' In an evil hour, he had allowed himself to be inveigled into riding the Wild Hawk for a hurdle-race (hurdles four feet and a-half high, warrant d not to bend or break!) with which the diversions of the meeting were to close. Equitation was not poor Spooner's forte, and under the solemn conviction that he should not survive the morrow's exploit, he was nervous, absent, and dispirited, or, as Mrs. Tims remarked, "a greater gaby than ever!" At last the saddling-bell rings, the stewards call for Mr. Grand, who is ready, dressed, and weighed, exact to a pound—for this have I been walking miles, wrapped in clothing under a scorching sun—for this have I abstained from Saguenay salmon, and canvas-back duck, and passed untasted the amber 'Hodson's Pale,' the ruddy 'Carbonell's '25'; and this is my reward—the moment has come. Accompanied by Cartouch, I walk up the course, the cynosure of a thousand eyes, and indubitably a hero to my own company, the privates of which back 'little Grand'—through thick and thin. Kitty Clare looks perfection, and as I am lifted on her shapely back, and pass my hand in fond caress down her arching crest, the skin is soft and smooth as satin, the muscle hard and tough as steel. 'Fit to run for ten men's lives,' says the Colonel, as he walks alongside with his hand on my knee, for a few more last words. 'Never mind the others; wait upon Fancy Jack, and come at the finish—you remember?'

I nodded intelligence, and took my place in the snorting, impatient rank. There were five others to start, but small notice did I take of any one but Squire Sauley's whose colors I now saw close to me, worn by a man with whom I was not acquainted, an officer of a militia corps, but of whom I had heard as a practiced and skilful jockey. From him I glanced over his horse, and for an instant a horrible suspicion darted across me that this was a bigger animal than the one I had seen from my ambush on the morning of the trial. Pahaw! it was impossible; Sauley could not have two Fancy Jacks, and it must have been the difference of light that puzzled me on the only two occasions I had seen the horse stripped. But we are for an instant in line, and at that instant the flag drops, and we are off! One hundred yards always steadied Kitty Clare, and as she settled down to her stride, I was able to make a pretty good inspection of my accompanying flight. Ere we were half-way round, it is evident to me that the others, with the exception of the gray, were running themselves out. On him I waited, and the first time past the stand, much to the astonishment of the ladies, the two favorites were far behind the field. The next half-mile brought them back to us, and now the race began. One by one they faded away, and dropped off into our rear; as Fancy Jack began to force the running, and I let my mare out to live with him—faster and faster round the turn we came, Kitty shaving the posts and economizing every yard of ground. I get a pull at her head without losing my place, close upon his quarters as we enter upon the 'straight run in,' and at the distance-post glances by, I sit down to make my rush! My antagonist is 'likewise setting off,' and it will evidently be a close race, the roar of the multitude falls like a dull, dead sound upon my ear, my eye is on the grey, and everything seems whirling by us, while we alone are stationary. Whip and spur are at work, and Kitty Clare runs us

no period when the male heart is so susceptible to woman's charms as when suffering from disappointment, no matter from whence it arises. It was natural that in my depressed state of feelings I should turn for consolation to those dark eyes that had been watching my endeavors, and that would have sparkled—oh! how brightly—at my success. Charming Zoe de Grand Martigny! sweetest of the transplanted daughters of sunny France, flourishing in a clime whose summer is even more glowing than thine ancestors' own, what a bright specimen wert thou of Canadian loveliness, no mean type of the sex! I see her now with her long glossy raven hair; her tall, undulating form: her clean, sallow complexion; and above all, those large liquid, dreamy black eyes, that might have driven many a wiser ensign than myself out of his senses. Right and left had those orbs done execution amongst the too susceptible ranks of the British army, but no one could boast, at least with any justice—for verily upon this subject man is fearfully given to lying—but no one could justly boast of having made any impression on Zoe de Grand-Martigny. Was it my fault that, like other moths, I was attracted by the light, and fluttered round, playing at sentiment till I burnt my own fingers? or could I help the foreign Zoe taking a pleasure in what she called my English brusquerie, and preferring my society to that of all her other dangles, probably for the simple reason that I was less devoted to her than the rest? 'If you would have a woman love you,' said Zoe, many a year afterwards, when, like the butterfly that has been handled, the gloss and freshness were worn off our feelings never to return, 'if you would really have a woman devoted to you, beware of letting her discover that you reciprocate the whole of her affection. Anxiety and uncertainty will enhance in her eyes the value of the treasure which she is not quite certain she possesses.' This may be true, like many other uncomfortable doctrines, but it would have been better and wiser had we never been on terms to speculate in this manner on man's weakness, or discuss subjects fraught with so much danger in such company.

In the meantime we were young, merry, and thoughtless, and never was I more aware of Cartouch's consideration, and more grateful to him for his kindness, that when he granted me an unsolicited fortnight's leave after our mismanaged race, to feast my eyes on the glories and wonders of Niagara, and as fate willed it, in the company of the Grand-Martignys, who were to spend their usual autumnal month at that miracle of nature, and sooth to say, as the advertisement would have it, "that resort of fashion." Beautiful as is every turn in the winding length of the gigantic St. Lawrence, whose waters bore us, independent of railway and corduroy-road, the whole seven hundred miles of our expedition, in no portion of his course is his scenery so striking, so uncommon, so completely fairy-like, as where he spreads into what is appropriately called 'the lake of the thousand islands.' As we steamed along the broad untruffled surface, glistening like burnished gold in the setting sun, and studded with islands of every size and shape, from the undulating mass, whose rocks and woods stretching away into the distance, made us fancy we were coasting the real bank of the river, down to the tiny islet, reflecting on its wavering mirror the single fir-tree for whose solitary growth alone it could find room; as we glided on through this region of enchantment, and paced the deck by our two selves in the downy air of the summer evening, no wonder that Zoe and I both felt the influence of the hour, and that in tones lowering more as we troched further upon the dangerous ground of sentiment and romance we breathed forth whispers that had far bet-

ter-gone, so, day after day, regardless of what might come of it, looking not an hour beyond the present, I pursued my own selfish amusement and gratification, nor cared to anticipate the time when she, with all her earnest truthfulness, should find that she had anchored her hopes upon a dream, and I should discover that, according to the old proverb, certain classes of persons, if they will meddle with edged tools, cannot always hope to escape scathless.

Who can describe Niagara? From the loftiest harps that have hymned the praise of Nature, down to that unsophisticated follower of the muse who pays his artless tribute to her glories in those glowing stanzas, commencing—
'Niagara! Niagara! you are indeed so stagger-
er!!!'

—vide the album kept for inspection at the Falls—that wonder of the world has indeed suffered enough at the hands of scriblers to insure an immunity from the pen of an unlettered soldier, whose military career commenced ere the Horse Guards required from the astonished subaltern, before he is eligible to command a troop or company, a fund of information that would almost obtain a position of a Senior Wrangler. The calm Lake Erie, the whirling rapids, and the rush of the cataract, are not to be embodied in sentences and syllables. When the painter's brush can realize the most gorgeous conceptions of the painter's intellect—when the poet is able to weave the brightest colors of his dream into a form of words that shall satisfy himself, nor leave ought wanting to the imagination unsatisfied and unquenchable, then may we hope to read a description worthy of the indescribable Niagara—but not till then.

'What do you expect to see?' said Major Halberd to me before I started for the Falls—'the sea tumbling down from the moon? If you anticipate anything short of this, you will not be disappointed!' And truly I was not disappointed. But majestic as was this masterpiece of Nature in her sublimest mood, and deep as were my feelings of awe and admiration in contemplating this miracle of the waters in all its phases—in short, in doing Niagara, which takes at least a week—there was room left in my heart for softer emotions than those of a mere tributary worship, and as Moore sweetly sings—

'If woman can make the worst wilderness dear,
Think, think what a heaven she must make of
Cashmere.'

so may I confess that many a noonday ramble, and many a moonlight stroll, beneath the roar of the cataract was rendered doubly picturesque and doubly delightful by the companionship of Zoe de Grand-Martigny. How is her memory interwoven with the scene—how vivid the impressions of all that we saw together—how dim and indistinct all that was not brightened by her presence! Hardly can I call to mind the crowded hotels, the disappearing dinners, at which the hungry guests came and went with the rapidity of the figures on a magic lantern—the well-dressed visitors from the States, a motley crowd, with their sallow, spare, long-haired intellectual-looking men, who might be such a fine race, if they would only not gorge their food so rapidly, and trust their digestion so entirely to tobacco, and the pretty, delicate, small-featured women, almost French in their faces and figures, and most unmistakably Parisian in their costumes—all these have I forgotten, or at least but indefinitely remember. Ay, even the usual expedition to Termination Rock, which it is necessary for every visitor to make who piques himself on his love of adventure, and which for the benefit of those sensible individuals who have not undertaken it, I can describe as being like getting inside an enormous wave with no very clear idea how to get out again.

AIMING WITH BOTH EYES OPEN.

We have had discussions on the relative merits of this or that breed of dogs, of choke and smooth-bore guns, on explosions and missiles. There are other subjects that will bear ventilation, and one of them is the taking aim with a gun. Is there any sound reason for shutting one eye in using a gun? In that valuable work, "Shooting Simplified" by Mr. James Dalziel Dougall, we find some remarks upon using both eyes in shooting at game, which appear to us to be founded on substantial facts, and which we are the more inclined to accept, as the very best shot we ever saw shot invariably with both eyes open. Mr. Dougall's reasoning upon binocular vision occurs in that portion of his work devoted to the gun-stock, the whole of which we would be glad to transfer to our columns, did the space at our disposal permit. "The stock should be exactly fitted to the shape of the shooter. With a stock of improper length or bend, certainty of aim may be acquired by long use and practice, but still that readiness, under all circumstances, which accompanied the use of a properly-suited gun can never be attained. On putting a gun to the shoulder, the object aimed at, the sight at the muzzle, the centre of the breech, and the eye, should all be in a direct line, without further adjustment. To ascertain whether or not the shape of the stock is that best adapted to the shooter, he should, in this manner, frequently raise the gun to his shoulder, and take aim at a distant point with both eyes open; then, closing the left eye, he will perceive whether or not he has mechanically taken a correct aim. If, with the left eye closed, he does not see the object, the stock is too crooked; if he sees all the rib, it is too straight, and if his line of aim is not along the centre of the breech, but from the left corner it, the stock is not properly cast off. Should the line of aim be along the right side of the breech, the stock is too much thrown off. With a gun properly fitting, the aim is instantaneous, and the sportsman, if not naturally a good shot, is greatly assisted in the field. It will thus be perceived that the objections to a stock are various. It may be too straight or too crooked, too short or too long, and may be too much or too little cast off, or it may be cast off altogether to the wrong side. If too straight, the gun will shoot high; if too much bent, too low; if too long or short, the rapidity of aim is retarded; and if wrong cast off, the gun will shoot to one side or the other, according to the figure of the shooter. This latter requisite is too little understood, and less attended to by sportsmen, and being of great consequence in taking aim, is worthy of particular notice. It is that lateral bending of the stock, generally outwards, which helps to bring the centre of the breech directly before the eye. In simply raising a gun and taking a slow aim at any object, the neck is instinctively bent over to the right side, and the centre of the breech attained; but in the field it is far otherwise, and the aim is too readily taken from the left side of the breech, throwing the shot to the left side of the object—one reason, it is more difficult to hit a bird flying to the right than to the left. A gun of the proper shape may be chosen from among others very easily by the above simple means of ascertaining that it carries a correct aim to a given object, with both eyes open, and with such a gun the shooter will acquire a practical dexterity in the field otherwise quite unattainable. To be able to shoot without closing the left eye is, in the writer's opinion, the perfection of that dexterity, giving a complete command over the motions of the object aimed at, and also over the use of the second barrel. It will be therefore perfectly plain that if he is correct in this opinion, the gun must exactly fit the shooter in length and bend.

As an illustration—How does a man drive a nail? Certainly not by closing one eye and looking along the hammer; but, with both eyes open, he mechanically balances the hammer, and strikes instinctively, never, if assisted to use the tool, missing his aim. It is the same in shooting. The gun must be rapidly thrown up to the shoulder, the eyes fixed on the object only. The gun must be left entirely, as it were, to take care of itself, and at the moment the gun is known to be in position, the trigger is drawn, and the game falls simply because the gun, like the hammer, suits the user, and, accompanying the eye, follows the flight of the game. By this mode of shooting, a

relief, were guiding your first efforts. A similar uncertainty will be experienced in endeavoring to approach and snuff a candle with one eye shut. It is the "judgment and experience" part which misleads the "one eye" advocates. Through great practice they do shoot well, and therefore insist upon others throwing away the "real sense of distance" and "optical sense, which, in taking aim, are so invaluable. Men whose eyes are wide apart always excel in shooting, through plain optical causes. The nearer the eyes are, the less is the binocular power, and yet how strange it is to find sportsmen who will still further narrow this fine provision of nature into the diameter of one retina only?"—*Rod and Gun.*

GAMBLING AS A TRADE.

Chamberlain, the great gambler, has failed and failed badly. His debts are astounding: Ten thousand for meat; \$10,000 for liquors; \$6,000 for clothes. The fact is, Chamberlain's business, as the colored people sing, is "sometimes up, and sometimes down." One night, his bank is loaded down with gold. The next night, he could not buy a box of cigars. Yet the glitter, glare and glow of the institution, the fine furniture, the clink of the gold, and the sumptuous tables, free as a hydraulic, do their work on the unwary, as really as if gambling was a paying business. There are men in New York, however, who follow gambling as a trade—have done so for years, and have made money by it. Not one in ten thousand could imitate them. These men live in fine style in fashionable New York. Their houses are elegantly furnished, and their tables sumptuously supplied. Their business is unknown, and they pass as brokers. Their families move in high society, and occupy a high-priced pew in a fashionable church. These men act on a rigid rule, from which they never depart. They do not drink, they smoke sparingly, keep their heads clear, and have command over their nerves. They play every night. They play while they win, if it is until daylight. They admit their losses. They can lose fifty dollars, one hundred dollars, three hundred dollars, and not feel it. Blow high blow low, they never go beyond this. They believe in luck, and when luck is against them they retire. Out of the thousands of gamblers not ten have made money over the "green cloth."

DOGS AS BEASTS OF BURDEN.

Dr. Gordon Stables, one of our best writers on the dog, advocates the use of the dog as a beast of burden. He boldly throws aside the notion that the dog's foot unfits him for travel. On the contrary, he claims that the pads are better protected and capable of doing more work than the hoofs of a horse or ox. He contends that the animal being more generally useful would be better cared for, and that thereby the facilities of locomotion would be increased. This is going back. Comparative recent legislation has inhibited the use of the dog as a beast of burden or travel, although he is very generally so used on the continent of Europe, and in the Arctic regions he is indispensable, and is found to do the work well; and in respect of his omnivorousness—better than the reindeer. There used to be a prejudice about severe work inducing rabies, but this, if at all true, was rather due to little care and feeding on garbage. Hard work alone does not harm a dog, as witness sporting dogs.

THE HORSE.

If a horse is made accustomed from his early days to have objects hit him on the heels, back and hips, he will pay no attention to the giving out of harness or a wagon running against him at an unexpected moment. We once saw an aged lady, say an exchange, drive a high-spirited horse attached to a carriage down a steep hill, with no holdback straps upon her harness, and she escaped as though there was no danger, for her son accustomed his horse to all kinds of usages and sights that commonly drove the animal into a frenzy of fear and excitement. A gun can be fired on the back of a horse, an umbrella held over his head, a buffalo robe thrown over his neck, a railway engine

GIANTS OF THE WOODS.

ADVENTURES IN MOOSE HUNTING—TRYING TO BRING THE ANIMALS TO THEIR DEATH.

From the 20th of September to the 20th of October is the season for moose calling, and the full of the moon is the best time, as the bulls seldom come up to call before sunset. I have had most success in that short half hour between sundown and dark later than that, even with moonlight, no one can make sure of his shot; and the moose, though not a very difficult animal to kill, is, I have always thought, more tenacious of life at this time of year than at any other, and requires to be hit in the right spot. The old bulls leave off call the soonest; the young ones I have called as late as the first week in November. They are very pugnacious in this season, and fight desperately.

On one occasion, had it not been for my impatience, I should have witnessed one of these encounters. I was calling in a little barren or open space in the woods, and during a quarter of an hour of breathless suspense I could hear two bulls advancing toward me from different directions, and both so near that it was a toss-up which would come first. At last one fellow came out into the open and stood defiantly awaiting the approach of his rival, whom he could plainly hear rampaging through the neighboring thicket. Had I been able to control my impatience for a minute or two, I should no doubt have seen a set-to between these gigantic beasts; but it is a hard matter for the sportsman to keep his finger off the trigger of his rifle when a beast some 17 or 18 hands high, and with a pair of antlers five feet in the stretch back on his withers, stands broadside on within fifty yards. The temptation was too much for me, and as I fired I heard the horns of his would-be antagonist crashing through the alder bushes not fifty yards off. After getting his death wound he never moved while one might count thirty, and then lurching heavily once or twice like a boat in a sea, he came down with a crash, stone dead. On another occasion a wounded bull charged me repeatedly, in a most determined but rather blundering way. Fortunately I was in the woods, and had no difficulty in avoiding his attacks by dodging round the trees. Had it been in the open I might not have fared so well.

I know of nothing more exciting than to hear a moose slowly approaching through the woods; one is sometimes kept on the tip-toe of expectation for half an hour or even longer. The stillness after sunset is so profound that his slightest movement is distinctly audible. The sportsman hardly dares to breathe; and when at last the animal comes out on the lake or opening within range it is a grand moment, if happily he has not delayed his coming till too late to be seen. Moose walk at the rate of about four miles an hour, even in woods so thick that it is hard to understand how they get their horns through. They carry their heads high, noses well up, and horns thrown back on their withers. When disturbed they move in a long shambling trot, clearing every obstruction in their stride; they never jump or gallop.

The Nova Scotian Indians are the best moose callers in the world, and among them the old men are better than the young ones. I have never seen a white man who could call moose really well.

Sometimes moose answer to the call much more readily than at others. I once brought up a young bull by tearing a piece of birch bark off a tree to make a horn; he heard the noise and came up, so I had no further trouble. I have at different times brought up moose from a distance, who came to my call unsuspectingly, without needing any further stimulus in the shape of a low half-suppressed call which the more wary old bulls sometimes need to bring them within shot. These low calls, made when the moose is pausing, uncertain whether to come or go, close to the caller yet not within shot, require the greatest skill—a false note, and all is lost. I have at times seen an old Indian trembling with excitement, the small end of his horn to his lips, the other end on the ground to deaden the sound—his face puffed up with the volubility of wind he is pouring into his horn, which produces a low and far-off sounding series of grunts.

At the haunts of the moose are in thick forest, where it is impossible to see any object at a greater distance off than sixty or seventy yards, and as their senses of hearing

SPEARING AT THE FOOT OF LA-CHINE RAPIDS.

In warm weather in summer a few of us who know the ropes migrate from the city early Saturday afternoon, and luxuriate until the Monday in the breezes which never fail at the Rapids. In the dead season we live sumptuously on planked shad, which, for the benefit of such of our readers as may not know how to cook this delicacy, I shall describe. A fresh caught shad is split and cleaned, rubbed with a little salt, then hung for two hours over a fire, with wet sawdust—usually a barrel is put over the fire and the fish hung inside—it is then broiled in the usual way. The man's appetite that cannot relish a planked shad well cooked is pretty far gone indeed. One Saturday afternoon last June a merry party of us met at the La-prairie boat, en route for the Cote St. Catherine, as the shore opposite the big pitch is called. There was DeLigny A., a few years ago the best sprint runner in the Dominion, and winner of forty-seven cups, belts and medals for amateur hurdle races and hundred yard dashes; Jimmy G., the rider of the winners of three races (gentlemen up), at the Montreal Hunt Club races last autumn; George A.—n, one of the most promising young shots we have—and since made one of the Committee of the Game Protection Club; the writer making up the quartet. When we reached Laprairie we found DeLigny had his dog-cart waiting for him, and he and George started at once, leaving Jimmy and myself to follow with a carter. A short and rapid drive brought us to Barrette's house, where I was to put up, the rest of the party sleeping at the house of Desautels, a little further up the road. As the afternoon was warm, and my wagon carried the beer, it is not to be wondered at that on our arrival we found De L. and George awaiting us. (I forgot to say that my horse was fast.) As I wanted to have a little quiet practice at pigeons before dark, I, after giving them a drink, sent them on to Desautels, and with Old Vital poked over to Isle a Boquet, where we fired at a few birds, as luck would have it doing very well. Coming back I asked the old man if we could have a little spearing in the evening. He was quite agreeable, and after supper we started up the road to see if the others would accompany us. We found them happy, and up to anything, as the lemonade they had brewed seemed to be particularly exhilarating. What it consisted of I can't say, but am sure that lumps of ice and lemon-juice were floating about in a huge milk dish. The color of the mixture was scarcely so clear as St. Lawrence water and its effects decidedly more elevating. One of their canoes men seemed to be pretty comfortable at all events. They all had to walk back as far as my quarters, as the canoes were at the foot of the Rapid, near our den. Each canoe had a large basket or burner on top of a pole, same basket to be filled with the split roots of a very resinous pine, which have been exposed to the sun for some time after splitting, and almost as inflammable as rags soaked in turpentine. The spears stand one at each end of the canoe, the fire being held in the middle of the canoe, which is allowed to float broadside down the current over the shoals. Our cigars were not finished when we reached the canoes, when we divided, George A.—n coming with me in Barrette's canoe, while De Ligny and Jimmy went with Desautels and Blannais, having a boy to hold the flambeau. Our canoe had the Barrettes, father and son, at each end, with spears, and Nadine as torch-bearer in the middle, while about all George's time and mine was taken up brushing off the sparks. It was not a favorable night for spearing, as there had been a three days' pretty heavy blow, which made the water pretty muddy, but as we were merely going out to show Jimmy and George what the fun was, and were not greedy about fish, we did not care. Our prey was a very coarse fish called by the habitants *les grasses carpes*, or *meigaleuse* (scabby nose), a species of sucker, averaging from six to eight pounds in weight. As soon as we were comfortably stowed away in our respective places, the flambeaus were lit, and their ruddy glare in the rough water of the tumbling rapids was picturesque in the extreme. The only one who did not enjoy himself was poor Jimmy, who, though fearless in the saddle, was anything but at home in a canoe, and totally ignorant of the comforting fact that the water

about an hour, during which we often passed close to the other canoe, which was only quite half of ours, as De Ligny and Desautels were no match for the two Barrettes. De L. had a very pretty spear with a light bamboo shaft, with which he expected to do wonders, but found that the lightness was a disadvantage on the whole, as the weight of the canoe shafts of the men's spears helped to push through the water quicker than the bamboo. About an hour's work satisfied us, when we returned to shore with about thirty fish between the two canoes. Although the time of the year was June, we felt quite able to imbibe something warm when we got into the house, and poor Jimmy had to stand a good deal of chaff about his error while on the water. He took it very good-naturedly, however, and now we separated for the night. Early in the morning a swim was in order, then breakfast, novel reading on the grass, admiring the scenery, and a good deal of sleeping in the sun while away the day. In the evening we lit a fire of drift-wood in the bottom of the bay on the island and got the Barrettes to draw their some one—more for our amusement by its light. The boys had a dead water between the rapids in a fast spot for suckers to rest; their haul was about forty. Then some of us went out with our respective canoes to see the shan-gets, which were across every eddy at foot of the off-ent chutes as far out as the middle of the river. I tell you for a stranger it is no fun going the rapids at midnight, but one soon becomes accustomed to the dim of the water. To give you an idea of the current where we were spearing early on the first evening, we were being carried on to a rock, when the old Barrette attempted to stop our drift with the butt end of his spear; although it was of oak and over two inches in diameter, it snapped like a pipe stem, and it was only by Alphonse and Nadine seizing the heavy pole as we were saved from being upset. Taking out what shad were in the nets we returned, and were soon sleeping as only those who have been all day in the open air can do. The shad are taken in three ways, the most common being with a large coop-net about three feet in diameter at the end of a long pole. The fisherman standing on a stage over the pass and throwing his net up stream, letting the current carry it past him, and then bringing it in by a quick turn, sometimes getting as many as three or four at a haul; on one occasion the writer saw six taken at one sweep. The second mode is by stretching gill nets across the eddies in the main channel of the river; the third and remaining mode is a rick-pole or basket net, which is set on the shore in a fish pass. On the whole, four-fifths of the shad caught are caught by the first two modes. The fishing with a rick-pole is very laborious, and takes a very strong man to do many hours' work at it. I saw Guerin, who is Desautel's shooting partner (i. e., picks up his ducks for him), and a very powerful man, catch sixty shad one day in a summer. The best season (1876) was the best season for shad for many years, and the height of the season a brace of fine fish could be bought in the Montreal markets for twenty-five cents; as they grow scarcer, later, twenty-five cents a piece became the price. I forgot to mention, while talking of the spearing, that an evening fishing often produces from eighty to two hundred suckers. The quickness with which a good spearman will pick up four or five out of a shoal swimming thru, I can only liken to the lightning-like rapidity of the first round of a first-class pugilist, such as Jim Mac-Joe Coburn, or old Bul-Dog, who used to live at Brunswick, Me. When one of these men meant hitting you could not see their hands move. In like manner you can scarcely follow the spear of an expert, never tried spearing myself, much preferring to watch the performance of experts, bungling on my own account. *Rod and Gun.*

DEATH OF A REMARKABLE

Matthew Dorn, the monster headed of Filton county, N. Y., is dead. He was fifteen years of age, and was remarkable for a curiosity, if not a monstrosity, in his cranium, which was concerned. It was that his head was nearly four feet in circumference, and weighed quite eighty pounds. He was of Irish parentage. When six weeks old his head began growing much more rapidly than his body, and continued to grow on to within a few months of his death.



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DATES CLAIMED FOR 1877.

AMERICAN.

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White Marsh, Pa.	May 26 to June 1
Muskegon, Mich.	June 5 to 7
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Kalamazoo, Mich.	June 19 to 22
Jackson, Mich.	June 26 to 29
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Tiskilwa, Ill.	2d "
Utica, N. Y.	3d "
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vanco, and, when acknowledged as such, it is plain that Canada is not keeping pace with the march of progress, in this respect at least. All our premiums are given on the purse plan. So far as our knowledge goes, there have been very few stake races given in the country, and these few have been of the greatest benefit to the turf, and have created an interest which would have been deficient if the purse plan had been adhered to. In previous issues we have submitted the advantages of the system of stakes over purses, and they must be so fresh in the minds of our readers as not to require repetition here. Now that our associations are about making up their programmes for the Spring campaign their attention is directed to this matter. Let them introduce one or two races of this kind in their bills—if it is only as an experiment—make some effort to give it a trial. It is hardly our province to suggest what stakes should be opened, there is lots of room for a selection. A sweepstake might be opened for Province breeds, either open, or for three or four-year olds; or it might be given on the conditions of the Queen's Plate, for horses that have never won money; foreign-bred horses could also be provided for; and the race could be run with regular weights, be handicapped, or penalize winners. The whole range of our racing classes is open for a selection to the willing club. The entries should be made to close about a month before the date of the race, and acceptances should be made at all events a week or so before the day set down for the contest, so as to give an opportunity to allow due publicity to the acceptances. The added money need not necessarily be large, and the entry and forfeit monies should be in proportion. Who will be the first to inaugurate this system the present season.

It is no secret that we are and have been in favor of this style of giving money. We assume it will be better for both Associations and horse owners, and it will prove more attractive to the spectators. Such have been the results in other countries, and why not here. So far as we are concerned to aid in this matter we will gratuitously advertise any stake race given in Canada by a regular association, at any of the meetings during the present season, in which the added money amounts to \$100 or more with the provision that the entries shall close at least one month before the date of the race. And we hope every association in Canada will take advantage of this offer, believing it will be for the best interests of all concerned.

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assigned to each track, or else postponing them, which prevailed last year, was adopted.

It was decided, with regard to declaring pools off, that this might be done by the associations, not by the judges. These comprised all the essential features of the programme, and after agreeing upon them, the stewards adjourned *sine die*.

MICHIGAN TROTTING CIRCUIT

The Associations of the Wolverine State are already buckling on their armor for the coming campaign. At a meeting of the stewards, held at Grand Rapids, on Wednesday of last week, the following programme was arranged: The circuit to commence at Muskegon, occupying June 5, 6, 7; thence to Kalamazoo, June 12, 13, 14 and 15; Grand Rapids, June 19, 20, 21 and 22; Jackson, June 26, 27, 28 and 29; closing at Detroit, July 8, 4, 5 and 6. The entries at Muskegon and Kalamazoo will close May 30, at Grand Rapids, Jackson and Detroit, June 4. Purses will be given to the following classes: 3:00, 2:30, 2:40, 2:23, 2:50, 2:26, 2:34, and a free-for-all. The programme will be the same at each meeting, with the exception, that at Grand Rapids and Detroit the 2:18 class will be substituted in place of the free-for-all. At Grand Rapids \$7,000 will be hung up in purses; at Jackson, \$8,000; and Detroit, \$8,000. Forage will be provided free to horses entered in the various races. A similar circuit to the above will more than likely be arranged in Illinois, all of which indicate that the coming season is to be an active one in trotting circles, equally so in the great West as in the East.

THE EXCELSIOR RACING CIRCUIT.

After the meeting of the Board of Stewards of the Grand Trotting Circuit, at New York, on Wednesday evening of last week, the four representatives from Cleveland, Buffalo, Rochester, and Utica spent a short time discussing the proposed Excelsior Racing Circuit. A letter had been received from Columbus, Ohio, stating that the association there would join in whatever was agreed upon. The hour was quiet, and, while the sentiment was entirely in favor of giving the races, a definite programme was not decided upon. The probability is that \$2,000 will be given at each place for a three days' meeting.

AN OLD RACING ANNOUNCEMENT.

A friend sends us the following copy of a racing announcement clipped from an English paper, The Evening Post of the date of July 18th, 1721, one hundred and fifty-six years ago. From it it will be seen that four-mile heat races were then the rule, while the advocates for heavy weights must have been the controlling party. Fancy, horses running four-mile heats with 10 stone, 140 lbs. up—this would be sufficient to distract our Southern friends. The amount of the stake 80 guineas, about \$150, would be a small purse now-a-days for such a contest. Some of the conditions of the race appear quite singular to us moderns.

"By subscription, on Wednesday the 30th of Aug. next, a Purse of 10 Guineas will be run for on Kingsmore, near Ivelchester in Somersetshire, by Hunters carrying 10 Stone the best of 3 heats, 4 Miles each heat. And on Thursday following, a Purse of 80 Guineas will be run for on the Moor aforesaid, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding that never won in Plate or Money the like value, to carry 10 Stone the best of 3 heats, 4 Miles each heat; all Controversies to be determined by the Majority of the Subscribers there present. The horse to be entered with the Bailiff of Ivelchester aforesaid ten Days before the Day of running, and to be kept in the said Parish of Ivelchester or its Neighborhood till the Time of running, each Horse to pay a guinea Entrance, which After Charges defray'd to be given to the 2d Horse or winning Groom, as the Majority of the Subscribers present shall appoint before Starting."

Sporting Gossip.

Mr. John Forbes has sold the well-known race-horse and stallion Mohawk, by Norton, dam Rebecca T. Price, to a gentleman at Tilsouburg, whose name we have not learned. He intends to devote the horse to stock purposes during the season, and race him in the Fall campaign.

An exchange well posted on the game laws says that it is perfectly legal to go house-hunting now.

There was a couple of races at Campbellford, Ont., last week. The first was a match, mile heats, between Mr. B. Gibson's Lady Gibson and Mr. Wm. Martin's Governor, for \$100. The Lady won in two straight heats; best time, 8:00. The other was a green trot, which was won by Kate Kearney, the best time being 8:10, beating Butcher Boy, Insley Maid, and Bay Billy.

Mr. Neil J. Campbell, Nelson, Ont., of the firm of Porter & Campbell, who owned the thoroughbred stallion King Tom, by Lexington, at the time of his death at Hamilton last summer, intends going to Kentucky to purchase a horse to take King Tom's place.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the East Saginaw, Mich., Driving Park, held recently, the following gentleman were elected to serve as its officers during the ensuing year: Mr. Wm. J. Barton, President; Mr. Harrison Coleman, Secretary; Mr. Joshua Tutill, Treasurer; with the directory composed of W. J. Barton, John Welch, Harrison Colman, Joshua Tutill, T. M. Hubbell, O. C. McLean and George C. Warner.

Any gentleman wanting to purchase a promising green horse should consult the advertisement which appears for the first time to-day.

The Turf, Field and Farm of last week supplies an omission in its Running Time Table published in our issue of the 9th inst. At Louisville, Ky., on May 18, 1875, Arizona, by Lexington, dam imp Zoue, ran two-mile heats in 8:37½ and 8:35½, which equals the fastest second heat, and at the same time is the best average. Our subscribers can make their own corrections in this valuable table.

A day's races are announced on Burlington Bay by the Burlington (Wellington Square) Association, this Friday afternoon.

Major J. R. Hubbard, of Nashville, Tenn., who is better known under the non de plume of "Albion," leaves that city to take charge of the Turf Department of The Spirit of the Times, New York. "Albion" is a powerful turf writer, and will be a valuable addition to the editorial staff of our contemporary.

An ice meeting will take place at Orillia on the 27th and 28th. \$460 are offered in premium.

Mr. John F. Phelps, jr., well-known in trotting circles as the owner of Delhi, Sadie Howe, John F. Phelps, jr., and others, died at his residence in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 6th inst.

Mr. R. Davies, Don Brewery, Toronto, reports the sale of the Royal George stallion Whirlwind, to a gentleman living in Markham. The consideration was not made public.

Wingham announces its second meeting on the 24th and 25th of May.

Peterboro Winter Races on March 1st and 2nd.

Nothing new in the Hanlan-Scharff match. No answer has been received by the Ontario Bowing club from the latter in reply to their communication respecting a match with Hanlan.

Messrs. Grand & Son announce, one of the most important horse sales which has ever taken place on the continent. The attention

FROM HALIFAX.

HALIFAX, N.S., Feb. 16, '77.

To the Editor of Sporting Times:

DEAR SIR—The annual meeting of the Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron was held a few days ago, about two weeks after the annual meeting of the Royal Halifax Yacht Club. The following are the officers of the squadron:—Commodore, His Excellency the Earl of Dufferin, Governor-General of Canada; Vice-Commodore, S. A. White (re-elected); Rear-Commodore, Henri St. George Twinning; Secretary, F. C. Tumichraet (re-elected); Treasurer, W. J. Stairs; Committee of Management, D. Cronan, J. E. Butler, A. C. Edwards, D. C. Chalmers, J. Fraser; Sailing Committee, Lt.-Col. H. W. Clarke, P. M. Passow, G. A. Black, H. W. Brookfield, W. J. Stairs; Measurers, J. E. Butler, Rodrick McDonald. It is expected that some close races will take place between the Royal Halifax Yacht Club and the N. S. Yacht Squadron in the spring. Why don't some of your yachtsmen from the upper Provinces challenge some of our yachtsmen next summer?

A Driving Park is about to be formed in Kentville, N.S. This will be the second in the Province, Truro having the first. This will bring out some of the fastest horses in the Maritime Provinces.

The St. John papers wish to get up a crew of four to row our champions. Halifax sporting men are anxious that this wish should be consummated, and will probably take up the cudgels if we are challenged.

A skating carnival was held in Windsor on the 12th, which was quite a success.

The St. John Curling club recently defeated the Picton, N.S., club by six points. Yesterday the Picton club beat the Thistle club of St. John by seven points.

A young folks' concert, under the leadership of Prof. Norton, was held on the 13th. It passed off well.

At the Academy of Music: Inchoyogue on the 10th, and the celebrated sporting play The Flying Sand, from the 12th to the 16th. On Monday, and the whole of next week, Pique.

Yours, etc.,
BLUE NOSE.

FROM COBOURG.

COBOURG, Feb. 20th, 1877.

To the Editor of Sporting Times:

[[SIR,—Sporting items in this town just now are like Venner's snow storms—very few and far between.

A game of Draughts was played on Friday evening last over the wires of the Dominion Telegraph Company, between the Checker Clubs of Port Hope and Cobourg. The game resulted in favor of the latter after three hours play.

Skating Carnivals are all the rage this winter. The last one was held on Wednesday evening, on which occasion there were over two hundred ladies and gentlemen in costume.

Alex. Cathbert, the modeller and builder of the yacht Lady Stanley, Annie Cathbert and Countess of Dufferin, besides a large number of second and third class yachts, has just turned out a "standing keel" yacht for a number of gentlemen in Prescott. The following are the dimensions: a 10 ton yacht, 9½ feet beam, 30 feet keel, and 35 feet over all. As she is on her supports at the foot of the harbor, she looks a picture of elegance and strength, and will just suit the waters for which she is destined.

The curlers have not been so bent upon "clearing out" all the neighboring clubs this year as was the case during last season. As they have five medals in their possession

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3. The Courts have decided, that refusing to take newspapers or periodicals from the Post Office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

STAKE RACES.

It will be universally admitted that the progressive spirit of the turf is strongly exhibited in the disposition to abolish purse premiums with a large entry fee, and substitute acceptance with liberal added money. The correctness of this proposition will be quite evident if a retrospective view is taken of the turf history of any of the older countries, or even of our American neighbors. The system of stake racing is clearly an ad-

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With regard to closing entries, it was decided that those for Cleveland, Buffalo, Rochester, and Utica should close on Wednesday, July 18, and those for Springfield, Poughkeepsie, and Hartford on Monday, Aug. 18. The Fleetwood entries will close on the second Monday before the meeting. Messrs. Powers and Loomis were appointed a committee on publication of programme, etc., and there may yet be some slight changes.

The following were fixed as the classes and amounts of money to be given: Free-for-all, barring Gold-in-the-Mid. \$4,000; 2:21, \$3,000; 2:29, \$2,500; 2:25, \$2,000; 2:27, \$2,000; 2:29, \$2,000; 2:31, \$1,500; 2:34, \$1,500. This makes a total of \$18,500, at each meeting, and it was resolved that each association give a total of not less than \$20,000, and not more than \$25,000, leaving a margin for special features, such as pacing or saddle horses, colt races, special purses, etc. There seems to be a general sentiment in favor of a pacing race, and if the programme is promulgated early enough, it is likely that California will be represented in such races.

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had been received from Columbus, Ohio, stating that the association there would join in whatever was agreed upon. The hour was quite late, and, while the sentiment was entirely in favor of giving the races, a definite programme was not decided upon. The probability is that \$2,000 will be given at each place for a three days' meeting.

AN OLD RACING ANNOUNCEMENT.

A friend sends us the following copy of a racing announcement clipped from an English paper, The Evening Post of the date of July 18th, 1721, one hundred and fifty-six years ago. From it it will be seen that four-mile heat races were then the rule, while the advocates for heavy weights must have been the controlling party. Fancy, horses running four-mile heats with 10 stone, 140 lbs. up—this would be sufficient to distract our Southern friends. The amount of the stake 80 guineas, about \$150, would be a small purse now-a-days for such a contest. Some of the conditions of the race appear quite singular to us moderns.

By subscription, on Wednesday the 30th of Aug. next, a Purse of 10 Guineas will be run for on Kingmore, near Ivelchester in Somersetshire, by Hunters carrying 10 Stone the best of 8 heats, 4 Miles each heat. And on Thursday following, a Purse of 80 Guineas will be run for on the Moor aforesaid, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding that never won in Plate or Money the like value, to carry 10 Stone the best of 8 heats, 4 Miles each heat; if Controversies to be determined by the Majority of the Subscribers there present. The horse to be enter'd with the Bailiff of Ivelchester aforesaid ten Days before the Day of running, and to be kept in the said Parish of Ivelchester or its Neighborhood till the Time of running, each Horse to pay a guinea Entrance, which After Charges defray'd to be given to the 2d Horse or winning Groom, as the Majority of the Subscribers present shall appoint before Starting."

MONTEAL HORSE MARKET.

Business at this market during the past week has been more lively, being kept so principally by the buyers from the States. Mr. Hughes has arrived from Boston, and intends purchasing a car-load of horses. At Mr. Fraser's weekly sale, six animals were sold at prices from \$50 to \$125 each. At the American House yard ten horses were disposed of for shipment to Providence, prices about \$100 each. Mr. Brown bought twenty horses for shipment to New York, prices from \$50 to \$110, and Mr. Rosenbuth purchased twenty horses, prices from \$50 to \$118 each.

The following are the names of American buyers shipping horses to the States: Chas. Baird, Chicago, 2 horses, \$230 the pair; A. Bisette, Banach City, 1 horse, \$150; W. F. Brown, Worcester, 1 horse, \$225; T. G. Davis, of the same place, 1 pair, \$200; C. F. Brown, Chalhoro, 18 horses, \$1,866 the lot; S. Ramsbulla, New Haven, 20 horses, \$1,203.50 the lot; Pean Coagair, Boston, 11 for \$963.—Star.

JOHN B.—This well-known trotter, owned by John Br-wning, of Indianapolis, Ind., was last week sold to Mr. Win. Holbridge, of Cincinnati, at \$3,000. While a pacer, Mr. Br-wning purchased him in St. Louis for \$875, and after having his gait changed, obtained a trotting record 2:27.

At Louisville, Ky., on May 16, 1870, Arizona, by Lexington, dam imp Zoro, ran two-mile heats in 8:37 and 8:35, which equals the fastest second heat, and at the same time is the best average. Our subscribers can make their own corrections in this valuable table. A day's races are announced on Burlington Bay by the Burlington (Wellington Square) Association, this Friday afternoon.

Major J. R. Hubbard, of Nashville, Tenn., who is better known under the non de plume of "Albion," leaves that city to take charge of the Turf Department of The Spirit of the Times, New York. "Albion" is a powerful turf writer, and will be a valuable addition to the editorial staff of our contemporary.

An ice meeting will take place at Orillia on the 27th and 28th. \$460 are offered in premium. Mr. John F. Phelps, jr., well-known in trotting circles as the owner of Delhi, Sadie Howe, John F. Phelps, jr., and others, died at his residence in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 6th inst.

Mr. R. Davies, Don Brewery, Toronto, reports the sale of the Royal George stallion Whirlwind, to a gentleman living in Markham. The consideration was not made public.

Wingham announces its second meeting on the 24th and 25th of May.

Peterboro Winter Races on March 1st and 2nd.

Nothing new in the Hanlan-Scharff match. No answer has been received by the Ontario Rowing club from the latter in reply to their communication respecting a match with Hanlan.

Messrs. Grand & Son announce one of the most important horse sales which has ever taken place on the continent. The attention of breeders especially is directed to the advertisement.

Mr. J. H. Cornish is a new candidate in the manufacturing jewelry line. Some specimens of his work are very fine. He keeps constantly on hand articles of virtu suitable for prizes at Athletic gatherings, Yacht and Boat races, &c., &c. See the advertisement.

CURE FOR STRINGHALT.

Coleman's Rural World is responsible for the following:

It is almost universally believed there is no cure for stringhalt. Every veterinary surgeon will say it cannot be cured. But we saw a gentleman in Greene county, Mo., last summer, who says he can cure every case. His method is to go into a stable having a dirt floor in the stall, where the horse stands, and dig a pit about four feet deep under the hind legs of the horse, the fore feet standing as high as formerly. This throws the weight of the horse on the hind legs. The horse is compelled to stand in this position about half a day and suffers a great deal of pain, his legs frequently swelling badly; but, when taken out of the pit, he is cured, and is never known to have stringhalt again.

The gentleman giving us the information referred to several reliable gentlemen who had given this method a trial with success. We are satisfied that this method has never been published before.

At the Academy of Music: Inchaoguo on the 10th, and the celebrated sporting play The Flying Shuttle, from the 12th to the 16th. On Monday, and the whole of next week, Pique.

Yours, etc.,
BLUZ NOSE.

FROM COBOURG.

Cobourg, Feb. 20th, 1877.

To the Editor of Sporting Times: [Sir,—Sporting items in this town just now are like Vennor's snow storms—very few and far between.

A game of Draughts was played on Friday evening last over the wires of the Dominion Telegraph Company, between the Checker Clubs of Port Hope and Cobourg. The game resulted in favor of the latter after three hours play.

Skating Carnivals are all the rage this winter. The last one was held on Wednesday evening, on which occasion there were over two hundred ladies and gentlemen in costume.

Alex. Cuthbert, the modeller and builder of the yacht's Lady Stanley, Annie Cuthbert and Countess of Duffrin, besides a large number of second and third class yachts, has just turned out a "stunning keel" yacht for a number of gentlemen in Prescott. The following are the dimensions: a 10 ton yacht, 9 1/2 feet beam, 30 feet keel, and 85 feet over all. As she sits on her supports at the foot of the harbor, she looks a picture of elegance and strength, and will just suit the waters for which she is destined.

The curlers have not so bent upon "clearing out" all the neighboring clubs this year as was the case during last season. As they have five medals in their possession, the greater part of their time is taken up with playing the "point," "pair" and "rink" matches, for the ownership of the aforesaid medals. More anon.

ANEMONE.

FROM PRESCOTT.

PRESCOTT, Feb. 17th, 1877.

To the Editor of the Sporting Times:

Sir,—On my way to Montreal, I stopped over here and had a look over the horses at Rysdyk Stock Farm, and thinking you would like to know how they are getting on, would say they are doing nicely and looking well. I wish you could see them, I feel sure you would be pleased.

The new ones are beginning to come along. Flora, by Benedict's Pathfinder, dropped a bay colt, by Rysdyk, on January 2nd. Maggie, by a horse called Abdallah, dam a Morgan mare, dropped a bay filly, by Rysdyk, Feb. 5th. Jennie, by Rysdyk, dropped a bay colt, by North America, Feb. 15th. These are all elegant specimens of juvenile equines—large and strong.

I was shown three weanlings of last year that stood 14 1/2 hands high, and weighed respectively 710 lbs., 725 lbs., and 750 lbs. A two-year-old was trotted out for my inspection that measured 14 1/2, and weighed 1,000 lbs. There were also two yearlings, full 15 hands, and that would weigh over 900 lbs. each. I was assured that either one of these

yearlings could pull two men in a cutter a quarter of a mile on the ice in a minute. How are these for colts? They are all bays, and all by Ryadyk. As sure as you live, Mr. Wisor has some of the best youngsters in America.

Mr. Brown, the superintendent of the farm, drove one of the two-year-olds, one day this week, a quarter on the ice in 41 seconds, and says he can repeat the performance any good day in 39 seconds. On the same day he informed me he drove Chestnut Hill the same distance in 37 seconds, a 2:28 gait. If Mr. Wisor should trot him in the Stallion Race this year, it will take a pretty good one to beat him out of the honors. The ice on the river is remarkably good.

Yours,
SPEED.

Canadian Turf.

OTTAWA RACES.

The winter meeting commenced at Ottawa on the 15th inst. The weather was good, the track excellent, and the attendance large. Messrs. Reopelle and Robillard acted as judges, with Mr. Smith as timekeeper. On the whole it was probably as good a winter meeting as was ever held in Canada.

In the local race the first day Lady Jane had the call in the pool box, Dexter being second choice. Fear Not, however, captured the trick after a good race. In the first heat Dexter threw a shoe, and in the third heat was left at the post.

The race for Dominion-bred horses brought out a good field. Before the start Decoit, Alexander, and The Moose sold about even up. Alexander was protested for being a Dominion-bred and for trotting under an assumed name; the objections, however, were not sustained. The race was easily won by Decoit. The following are the summaries of the first day's proceedings:—

LEAMY'S LAKE, Ottawa, Feb. 15, 1877.—Ice Trotting, \$100. Open to all horses owned within 35 miles of Ottawa that have never beaten 2:40. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs. \$70, 20, 10.
L King, br g Fear Not..... 2 3 1 1 1
W McCaffrey, blk g Little Tramp .. 1 4 5 5 5
W Pope, br m American Girl..... 3 2 2 3 3
A Robillard, blk m Miner's Maid..... 4 5 4 4 4
J Connolly, b m Lady Jane..... 5 6 3 2 2
H W Brown, ch g Dexter..... 6 1 dis

Time—2:38, 2:41, 2:40½, 2:45, 2:48.
Same Day—\$125. Open to all Dominion bred horses. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs. \$150, 50, 25.
H Brown, blk g Decoit..... 1 1 1
J Bradburn, b g Alexander..... 3 2 2
C Wagner, g m Lola Montez..... 2 3 3
W Pope, tr g The Moose..... 4 4 4

Time—2:30, 2:27½, 2:27.
On the second day the attendance, if anything, was larger than the first. In the first race Fear Not, owing to his success in a former race, had the call. American Girl, however, came to the front after a fine struggle.

Dick Wright being in good shape struck a soft spot in the 2:32 class. He was selling for 2 to 1 over the field, and the race was a gift to him.

Feb. 16—\$100—Open to horses owned within 10 miles of Ottawa that have been used as road horses only. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs. \$70, 20, 10.
W Baldwin, br m American Girl... 1 2 1 4 3 1
H Brown, ch g Dexter..... 2 3 2 3 1 5
L King, br g Fear Not..... 4 4 5 1 4 5
W McCaffrey, blk g Little Tramp. 3 1 3 2 2 3
A Robillard, blk m Miner's Maid... 5 5 4 5 4 5

Time—2:44, 2:42, 2:46 2:46, 2:40, 2:47.
Same Day—\$175—2:32 class. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs. \$125, 35, 15.
H Becker, b g Deek Wright..... 1 1 1
J Bradburn, b g Alexander..... 2 2 2
C Wagner, g m Lola Montez..... 3 3 3
H Brown, blk g Decoit..... dr
W Pope, br g The Moose..... dr

Time—2:28, 2:30, 2:28.
The last day showed the best racing of the meeting. In the 2:38 class Alexander and Decoit had a hard fight, neither of them winning the heats by more than half a length. The Free-for-all proved to be one of the

lies. In this Mr. Pilkey's bay horse had the best of it, leading all the way through in each heat. He is a fine looking youngster, with a square, open gait, and quite speedy. The following is the summary:—

BRANTFORD, Feb. 8th, 1877.—Sweepstake of \$5 each, with \$25 added. Ice Trotting. For five-year-old colts, and fillies belonging to members of the Brant County Horse Breeders' Association. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs; no distance. Two-thirds to first, one-third to second.
P J Pilkey, b h, by Clear Grit, dam by Royal Revenge..... 1 1 1
J Hodgins, sr, b m by Clear Grit, dam a Royal George mare..... 2 2 2
D Mitchell, br g, by Clear Grit..... dr
No time.

The second race was for three-year olds. The trotting in this was first-class, as the time shows, the track being a full mile. St. Andrew might have done better, had Gold Digger been able to drive him out faster, but the latter was in no condition for speed, having gone lame in the last two heats. They are two good youngsters.

Same Day—Sweepstake of \$5 each, with \$25 added. Ice Trotting. For three-year olds, belonging to members of the Brant County Horse Breeders' Association. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs; no distance. Two-thirds to first; one-third to second.

S J Thompson, v 8, br g St Andrew, by Clear Grit, dam White Bird..... 3 1 1 1
S Hewitt, br g Gold Digger, by Clear Grit (Capron's)..... 1 2 2 2
W Brown, b m Nancy Brown, by Clear Grit, dam Little Maid, by St Lawrence..... dr
H Davis, b g Young Grit, by Clear Grit, dam an English mare..... dr
E Blacker, blk g Brickmaker, by Prince of Wales, jr..... dr

Time—3:33, 2:55½, 3:04½, 3:00½.
There was only one trot on the 9th, that for gentlemen drivers. Nellie was looked on as the winner, but Molly surprised her friends by capturing the last three heats, jogging in in the final ones in 2:49 and 2:47½ without a skip. Molly has since changed hands at a good price. This ended the first meeting for the exhibition of speed under the auspices of this Association. It proved quite a success, as there was a number of buyers from different parts of the Dominion and United States, and some profitable sales were made.

Feb 9. Sweepstake of \$5 each. Ice Trotting. For gentlemen's drivers owned by members of the Brant Co. Horse Breeders' Association. Mile heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs.
S J Thompson, v 8, g m Molly, 7 yrs, by Toronto Chief..... 2 1 1 1
E Hewitt, b m Nellie, 6 yrs, by Bett's St Lawrence..... 1 2 2 2
C Malcy, ch g Tom, 6 yrs..... dr
J Knox, b g Baker Boy, 7 yrs..... dr

Time—0:00, 0:00, 2:49, 2:47½.
SECRETARY.

THE AMERICAN ENTRIES, WEIGHTS, &c., &c.

In the City and Suburban Handicap Mr. Sanford's Mate has been assigned 96 lbs. This stake closed with 127 subscribers, 58 of whom are handicapped at heavier weights. Lord Roseberry's Controversy heads the list with 128 lbs.; Woodlands is assigned 116 lbs., Forerunner 112 lbs., Julius Caesar 107 lbs., Mr. Jennings's three-year-old, Queen of Cyrus, the lowest on the list of one hundred and twenty-seven, is only called upon to carry 8 stone (42 lbs.). The distance in this race, to be run at the Epsom Spring Meeting, is one mile and a quarter, and should Mr. Sanford accept the weight for Mate, and that horse come to the post in good condition, he will not be far from the front at the finish.

In the Chester Trades Cup, nearly two miles and a quarter, Mate is assigned 100 lbs.; but in this race he will have a host of good ones to beat if they all accept and come to the post, including such cracks as Roseberry, Controversy, Forerunner, Hampton, Umpire, Snail, Woodlands, Tom O'Shanter, &c., &c. Bay Final, also entered for the Cup, is freighted with 93 lbs. His chances at this weight are about equal to Mate's at 100 lbs. Both of these horses are entered in the Newmarket Handicap, Craven Meeting, one mile and a half, and both are assigned the same weight, 102 lbs. Here, again, will they encounter some of the stoutest champions on the English turf, including Roseberry, who carries the top weight, 133 lbs. Giltner is handicapped at 111 lbs., and, at this weight, will prove a formidable rival.

Mate is also entered in the Newmarket International Handicap, one mile and a half, and is handicapped at 104 lbs., his most formidable opponents being Controversy and Coonassie, both carrying 128 lbs.

Billiards.

APPEAL FOR JUSTICE.

THE TAXATION OF BILLIARDS.

The following appeal for the reduction in, or abolition of, billiard licenses in Toronto, is being circulated. The arguments therein advanced apply equally as well to other localities. The time is passed when it was thought the billiard table was but a tool in the hands of sharpers; now the game is one of the most fascinating of our home amusements, and the knowledge of its beauties may be said to have become universal. If our municipal authorities "must discriminate" in their legislative actions on finance, it is to be hoped they will be able to devise some other means of raising the revenue besides taxing the most popular and innocent amusement of the masses.

"The aim of true statesmanship in regard to taxation is to avoid as far as possible the imposition of burdens upon the people, while providing for the support of government by means of public revenue. If the Crown or municipality goes beyond this, it becomes an oppressor. Moreover, in the selection of articles to be taxed, judicious rulers pass over those which, in themselves innocent and harmless, are used in important branches of popular recreation. By some curious chance, this rule is disregarded in Toronto, in respect to the most generally diffused and useful game—billiards; or rather the game is taxed, not only at an exorbitant rate, but the law is partial and unjust, for it sets apart a particular class of players and owners of tables, who are made to pay heavy license fees, while others are exempted.

"Billiard Tables in private houses, Clubs, Gymnasiums or Institutes, pay no tax, while the public table is subjected to a charge which constitutes an oppressive burden. Upon what principle a Canadian city imposes a tax on the noble game of billiards, it is difficult to understand, while to-day, all the world over, the game is free. In the United States there is no tax upon public billiard tables. In England, billiard rooms have to take out a license and come under the law governing public houses, but there is no charge—except a few shillings for Inspectors' fees. On the Continent of Europe the game is free altogether, and has become a great industry and a very cheap amusement.

"If it be asserted that public games are especially proper for taxation, why exempt Bagatelle, Quoits, Cricket, Curling, Lacrosse and other amusements? But there is no justice in the case, and the present system ought to be abolished.

"Some assert that because billiard tables have become an essential portion of the furniture of hotels, they are subjected to a special charge on that account. Nothing could be more illogical. The hotel or other house of public entertainment is heavily taxed already, and who could defend an additional charge upon its parlor, reading room, or other convenience? But billiards is a game open to objections peculiar to itself, may be the reply. But how? The bagatelle board, or quitting ground or bowling alley of a fifth class public house, is never interfered with, though it may gather around it dissipated men and boys every night. Are these more innocent than the nobler game, or is the low public house a less dangerous temptation than the well-conducted billiard room? Besides, the billiard table is to be found in the home of thousands, in the mansions of the rich and noble everywhere, among the clergy, at religious institutions, nay, in the palaces of our own Queen. To say that one of the most useful, scientific and delightful forms of recreation is objectionable, is too ridiculous to need reply. The general sentiment disposed of that objection long ago, and to-day good men and women all over the world adopt the game as their most favorite pastime. The properly conducted billiard table is appropriate in any home, whether the permanent home of the family or the temporary home of the traveller, or the house of entertainment for casual visitors. Yet municipal law in Canada steps in, and while virtually acknowledging the game of billiards as a free and recognized part of domestic amusement, lays a tax upon it outside of the domestic circle, so large as to be almost prohibitory.

"Another consideration must not be omitted from these remarks. We mean that relating to the physical use of billiards. In

Veterinary.

ONTARIO VETERINARY COLLEGE.

Another interesting meeting was held in the lecture room of this college, on Thursday, 15th inst. The chair was taken by Professor Smith.

Mr. L. High read an essay on "Influenza," upon which he expatiated fully; and a lengthy and highly profitable debate was the result. The President summed up with the items of interest that merited note during the debate, and made some very pertinent remarks thereon.

Mr. John Stephens was then called on, and he read a very good paper on "corns" (in the horse). A scarcely animated discussion succeeded this, at the close of which the President again rose and made a few remarks on some points, but deferred entering fully on the subject then, as he would in a day or two be lecturing on it, when he purposed treating it at length.

Messrs. Sommerville and Newton will read, the one a communication, the other an essay, at the next meeting of the society.

Amusements.

CITY.

Mrs. Octavia Allen, the leading lady of Mrs. Morrison's Grand Opera House, took her benefit on Monday evening. The bill was the society play of Saratoga. The attendance was by no means equal to the merits of the actress. The Opera House was closed on Tuesday evening to give proper respects to Miss Neilson's pieces. Miss Neilson was to have opened on Wednesday as Imogen in Shakespeare's play of Cymbeline, for the first time in Canada. On Tuesday p. m., Mrs. Morrison received a telegram stating Miss Neilson could not commence her engagement until Thursday on account of a severe cold. Consequently the stock appeared on Wednesday in Saratoga.

Our Amateur Gymnasts will give their annual entertainment at Mrs. Morrison's Grand Opera House on March 6th. Several new and difficult feats will be introduced.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL—Rob Roy was produced on Monday evening, and will probably run all through the week; Mr. Neil Warner appears in the title role, and Mr. Felix J. Morris as the Bailie; the St. Felix Sisters have been engaged, and during the piece execute Scotch reels, songs and dances. Blind Tom concluded a season of four nights at Mechanics' Hall on Tuesday, 20th; business with him has been good.

HAMILTON—Mr. James Montgomery Baily (the Danbury News Man), at Mechanics' Hall on Monday next, with his lecture "England from a Back Window." On 27th complimentary benefit to Mr. John Townsend, at same place. On March 1st, Jarrett & Palmer's Combination, with the new play of Daniel Druce, for the first time in Canada.

LONDON—The dramatic company under the management of Mr. J. R. Spackman, being the leading members of the late Royal Opera House Company of Toronto, have met with so much success they have determined to prolong their stay another week. On Monday Aurora Floyd, with the Ketchum specialty of Wanted a Father, inaugurated the week's programme, to a fine house. Miss Sophie Miles is claimed by our local papers to be one of the most powerful actresses that has ever visited the city. The balance of the company is very strong. Tonight, Friday, Mr. Spackman takes his benefit. On Sunday last Freddie, son of A. D. and Blanche Holman, died aged one year and six months.

BRAMPTON—Miss Isa Robertson and Mr. James Lumden, in their Scottish entertain-

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HORSES!

GREAT SPRING SALE AT CRYSTAL PALACE, TORONTO.

To Farmers, Breeders and Others, having sound young draught horses, drivers, and well-bred carriage and saddle horses for sale, Messrs. GRAND intend holding an extensive auction sale on

TUESDAY, APRIL 24,

and three following days,

500 HORSES.

CRYSTAL PALACE, TORONTO.

The above sale will be widely advertised in ENGLAND, IRELAND, SCOTLAND, FRANCE and GERMANY, UNITED STATES and CANADA, and from communications received from European and American buyers, a large attendance is confidently expected.

This sale will afford an opportunity never before offered to farmers and others to dispose of their stock.

Entry Book is now open and will be closed when 500 ENTRIES ARE RECEIVED. No Unsound or Inferior Horse will be Received for this Sale.

The above sale has been instituted at the instance of a number of foreign buyers who purpose being present to purchase horses for their various markets.

Sale commencing each day at 10 o'clock. Grooms will be in attendance to receive all horses advised by rail. TERMS, CASH.

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24th & 25th May,

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WOODSTOCK



DRIVING PARK ASSOCIATION

LEAMY'S LAKE, Ottawa, Feb. 16, 1877.—
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 W McCaffrey, blk g Little Trump .. 1 4 5 5 3
 W Pope, br m American Girl 3 2 3 3 3
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 J Connolly, b m Lady Jane..... 5 6 3 2 2
 H W Brown, ch g Dexter..... 6 1 dis
 Time—2:38, 2:41, 2:40½, 2:45, 2:48.

Same Day—\$25. Open to all Dominion bred
 horses. Mile heats, 8 in 5, to sleighs. \$150,
 50, 25.

H Brown, blk g Deceit 1 1 1
 J Bradburn, b g Alexander 3 2 3
 C Wagner, g m Lola Montez..... 2 3 3
 W Pope, br g The Moose..... 4 4 4
 Time—2:30, 2:27½, 2:27.

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 spot in the 2:32 class. He was selling for 2 to 1
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 20, 10.

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 Time—2:28, 2:30, 2:29.

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 winning the heats by more than half a
 length.

The Free-for-all proved to be one of the
 greatest races ever seen in Canada, and
 showed probably the finest field of trotters
 ever started in the country. Before the
 start Dick Wright had the call, Charley
 Mack the second choice. After the third
 heat the betting chopped around everyway.
 Five heats were trotted on Saturday, and
 three on Monday. It was a remarkable fast
 race, eight heats being trotted as good as
 2:27 and better. Our correspondent furnished
 us with a full account of the different
 heats, but at the late hour his communica-
 tion came to hand, we are obliged to cut it
 down to the summary with regret.

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 5, to sleighs. \$125, 25, 15.

J Bradburn, b g Alexander 1 2 2 1 1
 H Brown, blk g Deceit..... 2 1 1 2 2
 C Wagner, g m Lola Montez 3 3 3 3 3
 W Pope, br g The Moose dr
 Time—2:31, 2:30, 2:27½, 2:27, 2:28.

Feb. 17 and 19 \$250—Free-for-all. Mile
 heats, 3 in 5, to sleighs. \$175, 50, 25.

—Williams, ch g Charley
 Mack..... 4 2 3 1 2* 1 2 1
 T Ives, b g Lew Ives 2 3 4 2 1 2 1 2
 H Becker, b g Deck Wright.. 1 1 6 4 3 4 3
 D Gervais, b g Dennis 5 4 1 4 3 4 3 4
 W Van Valkenburg, gr g Capt
 Hunt..... 3 6 2 5 0 ro
 —Hunt, wh g White Cloud .. 6 5 5 3 0 ro
 Time—2:24, 2:24½, 2:27, 2:25, 2:26½, 2:25, 2:26½,
 2:25.

* Three heats trotted on 19th.

TROTTER AT BRANTFORD.

The trotting at Brantford on the 8th and 9th
 inst., under the auspices of the Brant County
 Horse Breeders' Association was quite successful,
 the several events exciting considerable interest.
 The first race was for five-year-old colts and fil-

C Malcy, ch g Tom, 6 yrs..... dr
 J Knox, b g Baker Boy, 7 yrs..... dr
 Time—0:00, 0:00, 2:49, 2:47½.

SECRETARY.

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 lbs., Forerunner 112 lbs., Julius Caesar 107
 lbs., Mr. Jennings's three-year-old, Queen of
 Cyrus, the lowest on the list of one hundred
 and twenty-seven, is only called upon to
 carry 8 stone (42 lbs.) The distance in this
 race, to be run at the Epsom Spring Meet-
 ing, is one mile and a quarter, and should
 Mr. Sanford accept the weight for Mate, and
 that horse come to the post in good condi-
 tion, he will not be far from the front at the
 finish.

In the Chester Trades Cup, nearly two
 miles and a quarter, Mate is assigned 100
 lbs.; but in this race he will have a host of
 good ones to beat if they all accept and come
 to the post, including such cracks as Rose-
 berry, Controversy, Forerunner, Hampton,
 Umpire, Snail, Woodlands, Tom O'Shanter,
 &c., &c. Bay Final, also entered for the Cup,
 is freighted with 98 lbs. His chances at this
 weight are about equal to Mate's at 100 lbs.
 Both of these horses are entered in the New-
 market Handicap, Craven Meeting, one mile
 and a half, and both are assigned the same
 weight, 102 lbs. Here, again, will they en-
 counter some of the stoutest champions on
 the English turf, including Roseberry, who
 carries the top weight, 138 lbs. Giltness is
 handicapped at 111 lbs., and, at this weight,
 will prove a formidable rival.

Mate is also entered in the Newmarket In-
 ternational Handicap, one mile and a half,
 and is handicapped at 104 lbs., his most for-
 midable opponents being Controversy and
 Coonassie, both carrying 128 lbs.

**THE GREENER GUN—HOME TESTI-
 MONY.**

The following letter from a well-known
 citizen and enthusiastic lover of field sports,
 to the agents of the Greener Gun in this city,
 is quite a strong testimonial to its merits,
 and will repay perusal by those who are
 thinking of purchasing a first-class gun.

TORONTO, September 16th, 1876.

MACNAE, MARSH & COEN.—The 10 Gauge
 Greener Gun which you imported for me is,
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 led, as regards distribution, penetration, &c.
 I need only mention that at 40 yards, with 4
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 pellets with one barrel, and 96 pellets with
 the other, a target I never yet saw equalled;
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 good sound pine board. Mr. John O. Hew-
 ard, a noted sportsman in this country, was
 present at the trial, and can bear testimony
 as to the accuracy of my figures. Since first
 trying the gun at a mark, I have tested her
 qualities in the field, and must say that she
 kills clean at very long ranges. Personally
 I had previously a great objection to the
 "choke bore" system, but was talked into
 getting one by your Mr. Marsh, and am
 now well satisfied that they are the guns for
 either short or long ranges. At short ranges,
 say from 15 to 30 yards, I have killed a
 number of birds—plover, pigeons, &c.—and
 did not find her destroy the same, more than
 any gun of the old style of boring; and at
 long ranges they have a decided advan-
 tage.

Trusting your other customers may be as
 well satisfied as I am,

Yours, very truly,
 JOHN MAUGHAN, JR.

Continued of Europe the game is free alto-
 gether, and has become a great industry and
 a very cheap amusement.

"If it be asserted that public games are
 especially proper for taxation, why exempt
 Bagatelle, Quoits, Cricket, Curling, Lacrosse
 and other amusements? But there is no
 justice in the case, and the present system
 ought to be abolished.

"Some assert that because billiard tables
 have become an essential portion of the fur-
 niture of hotels, they are subjected to a
 special charge on that account. Nothing could
 be more illogical. The hotel or other house
 of public entertainment is heavily taxed al-
 ready, and who could defend an additional
 charge upon its parlor, reading room, or
 other convenience? But billiards is a game
 open to objections peculiar to itself, may be
 the reply. But how? The bagatelle board,
 or quitting ground or bowling alley of a fifth
 class public house, is never interfered with,
 though it may gather around it dissipated
 men and boys every night. Are these more
 innocent than the nobler game, or is the low
 public house a less dangerous temptation
 than the well-conducted billiard room? Be-
 sides, the billiard table is to be found in the
 home of thousands, in the mansions of the
 rich and noble everywhere, among the clergy,
 at religious institutions, nay, in the palaces
 of our own Queen. To say that one of the
 most useful, scientific and delightful forms of
 recreation is objectionable, is too ridiculous
 to need reply. The general sentiment dis-
 posed of that objection long ago, and to-day
 good men and women all over the world
 adopt the game as their most favorite pas-
 time. The properly conducted billiard table
 is appropriate in any home, whether the per-
 manent home of the family or the temporary
 home of the traveller, or the house of enter-
 tainment for casual visitors. Yet municipal
 law in Canada steps in, and while virtually
 acknowledging the game of billiards as a free
 and recognized part of domestic amusement,
 lays a tax upon it outside of the domestic
 circle, so large as to be almost prohibitory.

"Another consideration must not be omit-
 ted from these remarks. We mean that re-
 lating to the physical use of billiards. In
 former times, many artificial methods of
 training the muscles, of developing the form,
 and teaching the eye and hand were resorted
 to, but which have fallen into disuse. Bil-
 liards combine the advantages of most of
 them. They do train the muscles, the eye,
 the hand, and the physical system generally.
 There is no other exercise of which this can
 be so truly said; and there is no other that
 is so completely available to all ages and
 both sexes. The fact, however, is so uni-
 versally admitted, that we need scarcely en-
 large upon it, save to add that while day-
 light and fair weather are necessary to out-door
 sports for men and women, billiards is the
 resort of all hours and seasons.

"The manufacture of tables, cues, balls,
 and the other paraphernalia of the game has
 become an important branch of Canadian in-
 dustry. It gives employment to hundreds
 now, and with wise encouragement may fur-
 nish a comfortable living for thousands. The
 variety of labor necessary is surprising. We
 find the taste of the most skilled cabinet
 maker expended upon it. The ivory turner
 produces the beautiful spheres which are as
 fair in surface as they are true in equipose.
 The builder and decorator are needed to erect
 and beautify the rooms for players. The
 steam engine labors for it incessantly. Is not
 that a blind policy which would cripple rather
 than encourage an industry like this, in a
 country, too, which is growing rapidly, and
 whose general prosperity we are so much
 concerned to increase? Justice to the pro-
 prietors of billiard rooms, and care for the
 public interest alike demand a change from
 the present exorbitant and useless system—a
 system that exists in no other country, and
 which even the most prejudiced and short-
 sighted must know is defensible from not a
 single point of view."

Our Amateur Gymnasts will give their
 annual entertainment at Mrs. Morrison's
 Grand Opera House on March 6th. Several
 new and difficult feats will be introduced.

GENERAL.

MONTREAL—Rob Roy was produced on
 Monday evening, and will probably run all
 through the week; Mr. Neil Warner ap-
 pears in the title role, and Mr. Felix J. Mor-
 ris as the Bailie; the St. Felix Sisters have
 been engaged, and during the piece execute
 Scotch reels, songs and dances. Blind Tom
 concluded a season of four nights at Me-
 chanics' Hall on Tuesday, 20th; business
 with him has been good.

HAMILTON—Mr. James Montgomery
 Baily (the Danbury News Man), at Mecha-
 nics' Hall on Monday next, with his lecture
 "England from a Back Window." On 27th
 complimentary benefit to Mr. John Town-
 send, at same place. On March 1st, Jarrett
 & Palmer's Combination, with the new play
 of Daniel Druce, for the first time in Can-
 ada.

LONDON—The dramatic company under
 the management of Mr. J. R. Spackman,
 being the leading members of the late Royal
 Opera House Company of Toronto, have
 met with so much success they have deter-
 mined to prolong their stay another week.
 On Monday Aurora Floyd, with the Ketch-
 um specialty of Wanted a Father, inaugu-
 rated the week's programme, to a fine house.
 Miss Sophie Miles is claimed by our local
 papers to be one of the most powerful actres-
 ses that has ever visited the city. The bal-
 ance of the company is very strong. To-
 night, Friday, Mr. Spackman takes his
 benefit. On Sunday last Freddie, son of A.
 D. and Blanche Holman, died aged one year
 and six months.

BRAMPTON—Miss Isa Robertson and Mr.
 James Lumden, in their Scottish entertain-
 ment at Concert Hall, on Wednesday, 28th.

ATLANTA—A fight occurred among the
 Nashvill Jubilee Singers here on the 19th.
 The cashier and one of the troupe had a dis-
 pute about the money, when the latter drew
 a bowie-knife and stabbed the cashier in the
 head. The would-be assassin is in custody.

LOCKPORT, N. Y.—Our correspondent "Ell"
 under date of 19th, reports amusements
 quite brisk for the past two weeks. Caroline
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Miscellaneous.

Capt. Clayton, of the 9th Lancers, has been killed at polo playing.

Mr. Hiram Smith of Missouri, has in his possession a calf with two necks and two heads. The necks and heads are perfect in every respect. Mr. Smith intends to have the animal stuffed.

The St. Catherine's News says:—"Mr. Wm. Evans, of Camden, owns a cow which has a very high opinion of her own importance, to judge by the way in which she tries to doubly duplicate herself. About a fortnight ago she gave birth to four perfectly formed, healthy calves.

James Boyd of Gateshead, the father of Robert Watson Boyd, the celebrated sculler, met with a dreadful accident recently, that will in all probability result in his death. It appears that while sweeping the deck of his vessel, a sack of corn, weighing 210 lbs., which was being hoisted, slipped from the tackle, and struck the poor fellow on the back, hurling him to the deck with fearful force; on being picked up, it was ascertained that his back was broken, besides which he received severe internal injuries.

A HOT GAME OF "FREEZE-OUT."

A bad story comes from Deadwood about an old Denverite—D. Tom Smith. The writer says Tom has been behaving beastly for some time past, threatening to kill his wife and several other people in town. Recently, on a certain evening, he went into a saloon where the Mayor, City Marshal and two others were engaged in a game of "freeze out." He pulled off his coat, took a corner from which he could cover the players and the bar-keeper and then "pulled his gun," cocked it and held it at a present upon whoever made a motion to rise or change his position. He told them that he come in there for murder, but it might go on with the game. The game did go on with a great deal of solemnity. The writer says, "It was probably the most solemn game of freeze-out ever played in the Hills." No one of the five persons wanted to be a martyr. But the City Marshal kept working his chair around, and at last suddenly ducked his head and made a spring for D. Tom. At that instant the latter "turned loose" his battery. The shot passed through the crown of the marshal's hat, out through the side, through the rim, twice through the back of his coat, crossed the table and struck the marshal's late partner square in the forehead, between the eyes, where it split in two, and one-half traversed the skull in each direction, finally stopping near the temples on either side. But the marshal got Tom before he had time to pull again, and now he has gone to Yankton for confinement and trial. The man he shot is getting well. If he had been killed they say Tom would have died rather suddenly.

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Obituary.

DEATH OF MR. JAMES MERRY.

One day last week the telegraph announces the death of Mr. James Merry, member of parliament and distinguished Scotch turfman. Mr. James Merry's name has long been united with the British turf, both as a breeder and owner. We find his name as far back as 1838, when he ran the chestnut gelding Patriot by Conservator, down to the close of 1873, when he sold out and retired from the turf. Among the most noted of the horses that he owned and raced, we may name Chanticleer, winner of the Goodwood Stakes and Doncaster Cup; Wild Huntsman, winner of the Great Yorkshire Handicap, Special License, winner of the Liverpool Autumn Cup and the Newmarket Whip; Lord of the Isles, winner of the 2,000 guineas in 1855; Saunterer, winner of the Goodwood Cup in 1858; Sunbeam, winner of the St. Leger in 1858; Thormanby, winner of the Derby in 1860; Buckstone, winner of the Ascot Gold Cup; Dundee, Beladrum and Sunshine; three winners of the Woodcote Stakes; Markman, winner of the Stockbridge Cup; Macgregor, winner of the 2,000 guineas in 1870; Freeman, winner of the Great Northern Handicap in 1873; King of the Forest, winner of the Prince of Wales Stakes; Mario Stewart, winner of the Oaks and St. Leger in 1873, and Doncaster, winner of the Derby in 1873. Besides these Mr. Merry raced many other horses of note.

A BIG COW STORY.

The Mt. Morris Union is responsible for one of the very worst cow stories that has been perpetrated in Western New York for many years. If Solon Shingle, in looking for "some rare likely, bright young cow lawyer," had run across the editor of the above-mentioned weekly, he would have been more than satisfied. The substance of the yarn is as follows: Last Sunday morning there was an alarm of fire in the village, and much noise and confusion was created in the streets. A cow belonging to the proprietor of the Dodge house became so badly frightened that she ran up a flight of stairs, sixteen feet high, to the hay-mow in the barn, hunted around until she found a retired and secluded spot, and then laid herself down and kept quiet to abide the event. The animal was missed, and after careful search she was accidentally found the next day in her remarkable hiding place, her hair all white. The editor does not say whether or not it was a white cow naturally, but leaves the reader to make such inference as he pleases. The cow was visited by many astonished villagers during the day and the editor gloried in the fact that he could tell the biggest yarn of the season. Only a coward would keep back a bully yarn like that, and he deemed it best fitting that he should cut it thick for his readers to digest.

THE DYING LION.

A French officer, who has served many years in Algeria, writes an interesting account of a dying lion. Fangless, covered with mange and blind, is the king of beasts on approaching the close of his reign. When now lying mournfully prostrate and alone in some sheltered nook or behind some friendly mound overgrown with shrubbery, he feebly skulls within a small circuit of his lair in quest of a morsel of prey, which, in his decrepitude, he rarely succeeds in obtaining. At this stage of his career, if his scent does not utterly fail him, his sole recourse for nutrition is an occasional nest of field mice. Inferior animals smell at him fearlessly, and paw him with insolence, for the forest monarch, dethroned by disease, is incapable of resistance. Often the rustic Arab comes upon his majesty in his utter helplessness, and ends his troubles with a blow of a club.

A SYMMETRICAL DEVELOPMENT OF FAT IN A STEER.

A correspondent, "M.," writes us from Boston, saying:—"The first wonder of the new year in Boston market, is an ox four years old, just slaughtered by Holden & Son. He was found to be much more heavily coated with fat on one side than the other, and opening him the suet in one side was of the ordinary size—about twenty-five pounds—while the fat side contained a suet of the enormous weight of two hundred

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A LONG DRIVE.

The Milwaukee (Wis.), Sentinel of the 20th ult. says:—"A telegram was received at the Plankton yesterday afternoon to the effect that E. C. Gray and E. Hoyt, of Fond du Lac, had started to drive to Milwaukee on a wager, he who first registered at the Plankton to win. At 5:25 a gentleman drove up and hastened in to book himself as E. C. Gray, M.D." At 6:26 Mr. E. Hoyt registered. Dr. Gray is a practicing physician, and drove the mare he uses in his practice. She is a bay, weighs 1,000 lbs., and is five years old, of the Kentucky hunter breed. Mr. Hoyt is a boot and shoe man, and the mare that he drove is a private road mg. The wager came about from a banter on the part of Hoyt for a trade, and the amount deposited was \$200. They started at a few moments past ten in the morning. They made West Bend, 34 miles, in two hours and fifteen minutes. Up to that time Hoyt was ahead, but the doctor took the lead, and ran no more of him till he arrived. The road was badly cracked. Both gentlemen lost their way, Hoyt having gone astray several miles, and the doctor one mile. The time of the winner was about seven hours and fifteen minutes, and the distance nearly a century miles.

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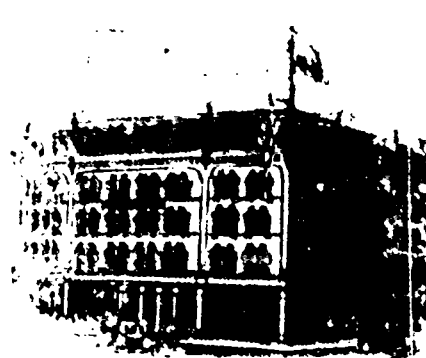
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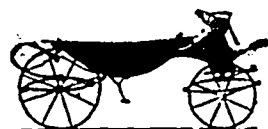
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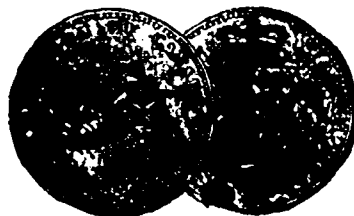
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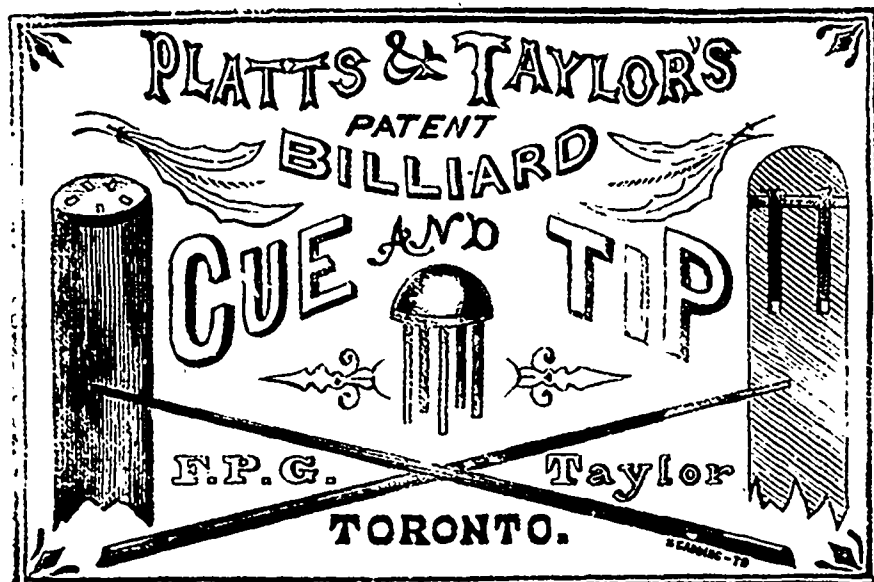
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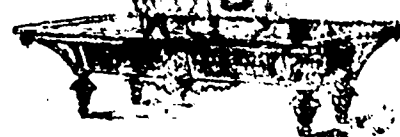
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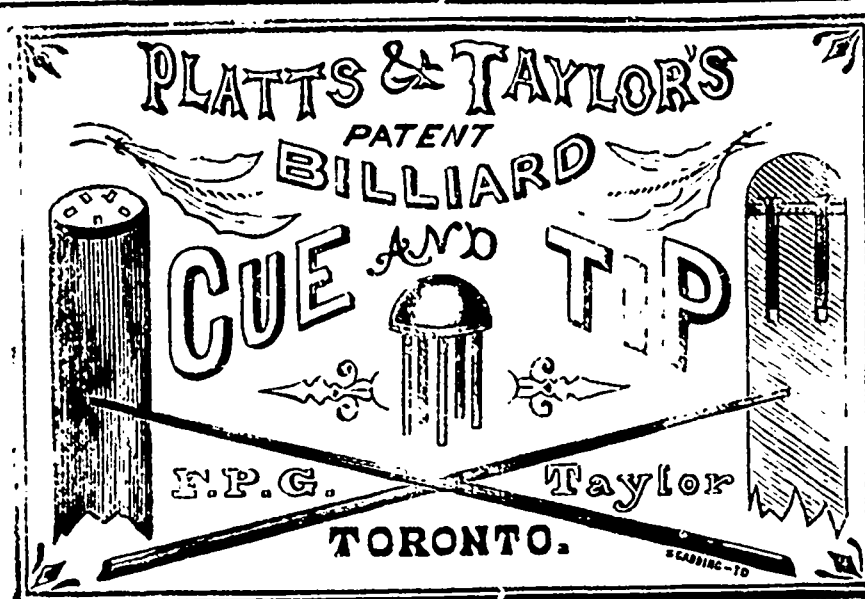
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