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FIXTURES FOR 1880.

CANADA.

Brantford	June 24—24
Ottawa	June 29, July 1
Tilsonburg	July 1
Winnipeg	July 1
Hamilton	July 1
Alliston, Ont.	July 1
Stratford	July 1
Duffin's Creek	July 1
Mt. Salem	July 1
St. John, N. B.	July 1
Kingston	July 1
Mt. Forest	July 1
Watford	July 1
Frederickton, N. B.	July 1
Aurora	July 1—2
Winnipeg (match)	Aug. 3

THE QUEEN'S PLATE.

ENTRIES.

- 1—D W Campbell, Milton, b f Fanny Wiser, 3 yrs, by Terror, dam Nettie.
- 2—D W Campbell, ch c King Tom, 4 yrs, by King Tom, dam Annie Laurie.
- 3—O Morton, Montreal, b m Footstep, 4 yrs, by War Cry.
- 4—R R Pringle, Cobourg, br c Roderick, 3 yrs, by Hyder Ali, dam imported Castaway.
- 5—J Forbes, Woodstock, b f Bonnie Bird, 4 yrs, by Judge Curtis (Gen. Duke), dam Bonnie Braes.
- 6—J B Morrison, Toronto, b h Lord Dufferin (Frank L), 6 yrs, by King Tom, dam Vanetta.

DOMINION DERBY.

- 1—D W Campbell's Fanny Wiser, pedigree above.
- 2—D W Campbell's King Tom, ped. above.
- 3—O Morton's Footstep, ped. above.
- 4—J P Dawes, Lachine, P. Q., b g Ely, 3 yrs, by Tubman, dam imported Fidget.
- 5—James McVey, Montreal, g m Neilson, 6 yrs, by Thunder, dam Lady Litton.
- 6—Sheriff Powell, Ottawa, ch m Gwendolyn, 4 yrs, by War Cry, dam Alzora.
- 7—J B Morrison's Lord Dufferin, ped. above.
- 8—R R Pringle's Roderick, ped. above.
- 9—J Forbes' Bonnie Bird, ped. above.
- 10—G Gouin, Three Rivers, P. Q., Juliet.

BETTING.

Messrs. Forbes & Burgess, of Woodstock, Ont., have opened books on the Plate and the Derby. All bets are play or pay. The following are their present rates, the figures representing the odds they will lay against the horse:—

THE PLATE.	
2 to 1 Bonnie Bird	4 to 1 Lord Dufferin
2 to 1 Fanny Wiser	6 to 1 Footstep
5 to 2 Roderick	6 to 1 King Tom
DOM. DERBY.	
2 to 1 Bonnie Bird	5 to 1 Ely
2 to 1 Fanny Wiser	5 to 1 King Tom
5 to 2 Roderick	6 to 1 Gwendolyn
4 to 1 Lord Dufferin	6 to 1 Footstep
DOUBLE EVENT.	
4 to 1 Bonnie Bird	6 to 1 Dufferin
4 to 1 Fanny Wiser	8 to 1 King Tom
5 to 1 Roderick	8 to 1 Footstep

Our horse editor who thinks that he knows all about gardening says that the best way to raise strawberries is with a spoon.

RACING AT QUEBEC.

The first race on the programme of the meeting of the Quebec Turf Club on Monday was the Queen's Plate for the Province of Quebec. It had ten entries and nine starters. The weather was good, but the attendance only fair. The day's proceedings are summarized below, our space this week not permitting us to go into details.

QUEBEC, P. Q., June 21.—Queen's Plate, value of 50 guineas, for maidens foaled, raised, and trained in the Province of Quebec. Dash of two miles.

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| High Patton's, Montreal, b m Wantopedia, 2 yrs, by Tubman, dam imported Sweet Bread, by Daneauy, 103 l's | 1 |
| Sheriff Powell's, Ottawa, ch f Gwendolyn, 4 yrs, by War Cry, dam Alzora, by Jack the Barber, 123 lbs | 2 |
| J P Dawes', Lachine, ch c Hold the Fort, 3 yrs, by Helmbold, dam by Niagara, 106 lbs | 3 |
| D D Young's, Quebec, ch m Pelly, aged, pedigree unknown, 127 lbs | 0 |
| — Banks', Quebec, Holmatock | 0 |
| — Swift's, Quebec, Lad; Mary | 0 |
| — Dawes', Montreal, b c Dounybrook, 3 yrs, by Tubman, dam Minnie, 106 lbs | 0 |
| — Dawes', Montreal, b g Fly, 3 yrs, by Tubman, dam imported Fidget, 103 lbs | 0 |
| — McVeign's, Montreal, Neilson | 0 |
| — Gouin's, Three Rivers, Juliet | dr |

Time—4:06½.
Same Day—\$250; open to all; one and a quarter mile heats. \$200, 50.

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| J P Dawes', Lachine, ch h Clifton, 5 yrs, by Planet, dam My Lady | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Robt Craik's, Montreal, blk g Diamond, 6 yrs, by imported Leamington, dam Black Slave | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| A S Stewart's, Quebec, ch m Moonbeam, aged, by Planet, dam Edina | 3 | 3 | ro |
- Time, 2:20½, 2:25, 2:27.

Same Day.—The Gov. Gen's Cup, value \$—; for horses bred and owned in the Dominion; the cup to be won twice by the same owner, and then to become his individual property; welter weights; dash of one and a half miles.

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| J P Dawes', Lachine, ch m Rose, 4 yrs, by Helmbold, dam by Niagara | 1 |
| A C Stuart's, Quebec, ch g Pilot, aged, by Jack the Barber, dam by Pilot | 2 |
| Dr Craik's, Montreal, Scrap Iron | 0 |
| O Morton's, Lachine, Moonlight | 0 |
- No time reported.

Turf Gossip.

Mr. F. W. Matthews, V.S., of this city, has been appointed Government inspector of cattle at Amherstburg, Ont. He left on Monday. Mr. M. is a graduate of the Ont. Vet. Coll.

Falsetto has been scratched in all his engagements in England.

Mr. Gouin's filly Juliet, of Three Rivers, P. Q., was unable to start for the Queen's Plate on account of picking up a nail while cantering on the track. She was shipped to Ottawa for the Dominion Derby.

The Canadian horses Moose, Deceit and Honest Billy are entered for Island Park, Albany, N. Y., races, July 1 to 5.

Mr. Geo. Battersby, the well-known horseman and hotel keeper, Simcoe, Ont., died in that town on the 12th inst., of consumption.

A report having been current that Della Waite would be matched again against Yorkville Maid, the owner of the latter says he is willing, and will stake from \$200 to \$2,000 on the result.

The Ottawa cross-country horse Marmion, by Planet, has been retired from the turf, and his owner intends to keep him for private use.

A sweepstake trot is spoken of for Woodbine on July 7. It is expected quite a number of local horses will take part.

Horsemen will remember that the management of the Hamilton Driving Park is not the same as it was a few years ago. The financial part of the business is reported to us to be in good hands.

Honest Sandy, a magnificent specimen of a Clydesdale stallion, recently died at Perth, Ont. He was owned by Mr. John Clarke, of Nepean.

A serious horse distemper, which is creating some alarm in the Maritime Provinces, is raging at Bangor, Me.

Attention is directed to the trotting and running stakes for youngsters advertised in to day's paper. Mr. James Sutherland, of Woodstock, is the Sec.-Treas. of both events, and from him all information regarding them may be obtained.

W. H. Doble, of Philadelphia, on June 10, drove the blk g Nigger Baby and the ch m Mollie to pole at Belmont Park, mile heats, in 2:25½, 2:25½, for a purse of \$500 against time—2:27. The second heat is the fastest double record.

In the trotting match at Goderich, on Tuesday, Tom Sullivan, owned by Mr. Hiram Anderson, Guelph, beat Brown Dick, owned by Mr. C. Kenney, Kincardine, in three straight heats. Stakes—\$400.

Mr. Charley McDonald, the well-known sporting man, was married last week to Miss Bessie Breen, of this city.

Messrs. Palmer & Wells' mare Lucy won the 2:23 class at Adrian, Mich., on June 5, beating Elsie Good and three others.

Banjo Charlie, the cross country stallion, formerly owned by T. C. Patteson, Esq., of this city, is now at Fort Benton, Montana.

Mr. E. H. Whitmarsh, of Merrickville, showed in Brockville last week the most beautiful team of Indian ponies ever seen in that burgh.

The trotting phenomenon Moose is by the Washburn horse (he by St. Lawrence), dam the Morrissey mare, thoroughbred, by imported Trustee. The Morrissey mare is now 33 years old, and her last colt was by Ramadan.

Mr. Alex. McArthur, of Westminster, has purchased the ch m Tolema, 5 years, by Glen Athol, dam Maggie Morgan, by Hunter's Lexington, from Mr. George Watson, of London, at a price not made public. She will be devoted to breeding.

The Southern Counties' Exhibition Society have recently completed a half mile track on their grounds at St. Thomas, Ont. It is said to be a very fine one, and the initial meeting is expected to take place on Dominion Day.

Mr. E. D. Jewett, of St. John, N. B., has purchased from Mr. Logan of Gibson, in the same province, the speedy trotting horse Lightning Rod. The consideration was kept private.

The Farm.

THE BREEDS OF SHEEP.

Practical experience, or in its absence, the results of the practical experience of others is what is required in every newly settled country, and we therefore give the following particulars from the last report of Professor Wm. Brown respecting the characteristics of various breeds of sheep in the experience of the Ontario Experimental Farm, during four years:

PROLIFICNESS.—In this we have the Oxford Down, as the most recent improvement in mutton and wool from England, leading over all its relations, and particularly over the other Down to which it owes much of its character. Sure breeding is usually an accompaniment of non-interference on the part of man—as evidence Short Horn history—but the 35 years' management of this Hampshire-Cotswold-South Down has on the other somewhat overdone the point of numerous offspring—triplets being common. The Cotswold and South Down take a middle place in this respect, and though we might expect the hardier Border Leicester to be in a better position, its true English Leicester origin may have to account for the same.

GOOD NURSES.—This means the being able to bring up one or more lambs in first class condition, and as a beginning we have nature supporting herself in the case of the very prolific Oxford Down, by liberality under this head, followed by the South Down, which is only third in the previous case. The Short Wools then—that is the hardest varieties of our flock—are decidedly in the lead as good mothers, and I may here anticipate that we shall find other three instances in which they carry the palm from the other breeds. The Leicester now steps in before the Cotswold as a nurser, against the practical fact nevertheless that the latter as a whole pays best here.

EARLY MATURING.—The largest amount of flesh in the shortest time is easily taken by the two Long Wools—the Leicester leading, and wherever the long woolled blood is proportionately large we may expect to get a similar quality; so we find the Oxford Down third in this example, with the more original and uninterfered with South Down last in the list. However, it is my duty to note here, that very close quarters is already being given both of these long wools by the first cross of the Oxford Downs upon a Leicester Cotswold grade, which simply means a conjunction of more of the virtues of long woolled blood through other channels.

HARDINESS OF CONSTITUTION.—All our experience points to the South Down as the safest to handle under difficulties of any kind, whether seasons, pasture or winter keep, having, however, very close competition from the Cotswold; the Oxford Down is third best in this respect, though we should like more extended experience of them ere placing on the same firm footing as the South Down. Here we have the Leicester taking the lowest position.

FREEDOM FROM DISEASE.—This, and the previous point, are, or should be, so intimate that we have the several breeds in the same order as under last paragraph. By disease, I mean inflammation of the lungs, nasal colds, throat affections, scours, foot sore, lambing accidents, bloating on green fodders or frozen grass; for we have no acquaintance with any of the Old Country scourges. I have to confess that one of the many things that surprises me in connection with live-stock in Canada, is the comparative freedom from infectious or contagious diseases; the dryness both of summer and winter, want of extensive un-governable ranges; the paying more attention to wool than to mutton, all tend to make, Ontario at least, as much the home of sheep as of cattle.

WOOL WEIGHT.—In this, of course, we have but one interesting fact to note,—as between the two Long Wools,—the Cotswold being in advance of the Leicester. It is very noticeable, almost everywhere throughout the Province, that the greater difficulty lies in maintaining the Leicester crop of wool, as compared with that of the Cotswold; this is but confirming the experience of other countries, and therefore an important one as bearing on the permanent stamp of this famous breed.

WOOL VALUE.—This is easily allowed the South Down to the extent of one hundred per cent. over the long wools during the last two years, and thirty per cent. over the medium for the Oxford Down. In placing the Cotswold wool over the Leicester, it is simply meant that, as a whole, it is more reliable—for practically they are about equal for any purpose.

FLESH WEIGHT.—Here, also, we have no difficulty in sorting, having the Cotswold at the top, followed by Leicester, Oxford Down and South Down, when at maturity. We have had, however, many cases of the South Down and Leicester lambs much in advance of the others up to two months of age, but the

superior stamina of the Cotswold makes up in the long run for any want of early maturing, and, of course, the South Down is not made to bulk large at any time.

FLESH VALUE is graded according to the well-known scale of Britain—light weights, black faces, and original breeds.

FEEDING PROPERTIES.—The Short Horn among sheep is unquestionably the Leicester—of all others, making the best use of food in the shortest time for production of flesh. Bakewell apparently made them for this, and one hundred years have not apparently made any deterioration. In our experience the Oxford Down follows, and particularly its first cross from a Leicester Cotswold grade line; then the South Down and Cotswold. The unsettled disposition of the South Down is much against its rapid, or force, feeding, but taken all over, is ahead of the hard and coarser Cotswold.

COST OF KEEP.—Least for the South Down, second for the Oxford Down, Leicester third, and the Cotswold the most.

IMPROVEMENT OF OTHERS.—It must be borne in mind that these notes refer to the experience of the Ontario Experimental Farm, and under this head we have no doubt about awarding the palm to the Oxford Down; but whether such a property is, as yet with them, so permanently characteristic or reliable as the Leicester, it is impossible to say. That the Oxford, however has the power to improve the first offspring from a grade ewe that it exhibits, early maturing, hardiness, superior wool weight and value; flesh weight and value and feeding properties, equal to and over the Leicester, is unquestionable. On one sheep during two years a difference of \$1.13 appears in favor of the Oxford cross, which, in a large flock, simply means a fortune in a few years. The South Down is not second to the Cotswold under this subject.

PERMANENCY OF CHARACTER, that is, which of four breeds we have thus sketched in detail, will maintain these details most permanently—taking an average of the twelve points? Our experience says first for the South Down—the least interfered with breed of the lot in its home history among the chalk hills, but with a very close competition from the very old, though not now so pure in their original blood, graziers of the Cotswold hills. The newness of the Oxford with us, remember, may be much of the character of most "new brooms," but as its four years' conduct has been permanent enough, we give it precedence of the good old English Leicester, per Border management stamp, but, nevertheless, with no less respect for said Leicester even in this connection.

Poultry and Pigeons.

MATING FOR SEX.

The practical experience of large breeders points to the conclusion that to a certain extent the production of sex may be controlled, and as evidence of this Mrs. E. M. Stebbins contributes the following particulars to the *Pancier's Journal*:

Poultry may be justly regarded as so many mills, each class of a different order. One kind, fed grains, will manufacture eggs; another kind, fed with the same, will store up fat. The characteristics of every class must be carefully studied and treated according as results are wanted. As I have said, my poultry is for market: pullets for laying; cockerels for broilers and capons. My market is in private families, and two hotels which I supply by contract, in a city six hours' ride from my place. Now, the chief source of my profit comes in breeding what I want. The stock from which I get my best pullets for laying would give me the poorest sort for capons or broilers, because they would be hard to flesh up, and naturally, the flesh would not be on the parts most desired, and the birds lack in size. In the classes I use for caponing, flesh is laid on rapidly with but little expense for food, while the reproductive tendencies are in the minimum. It is easily to be seen that if I am able to control the sex of the hatch, even in a measure, I can use both classes to the best advantage, and greatly increase my profit. This I soon realized, and studied first to find the stock that would give me the most profitable birds of each class, then how to produce the sexes I desired in those classes. The results of the last three years' experimenting lead me to believe I am on the right track. For pullets, I mate a cockerel with hens, feeding him more than his mates, and changing often. Of the produce from

such mating, during 1879, 93 per cent. were pullets, and not one unfertile egg. This from an average of 580 hens and 180 cockerels. For cockerels, I reverse this, mating pullets with three year old cocks, keeping the pullets in extra condition. During 1879, the hatch for this mating was 78 per cent. cockerels, 13 per cent. unfertile eggs, the balance pullets. I have two incubators in constant operation the year through. My winter houses are of brick on the north and east sides, banked up to the top. The west end holds the entrance and store room, and is of frame, lathed and plastered. The south side is wholly of glass, sloping to the back—the panes to within two feet of the bottom, painted. A range of five steam pipes passes through the house, but we rarely have to use them. My market calls for a constant supply, so I know no season but have to meet the demand by pushing forward young stock, supplying artificially what is not seasonable. I like the business. It requires management and tact, but I do not know of another, a woman uneducated in business matters, could undertake with so small a capital, and realize as much as I have as easily and with the promise for the future so sure.

CHICKEN CHOLERA.—In the so called "cholera" of fowls, the characteristic symptoms are as follows: The wings droop, an unconquerable somnolence is noted; on starting the animals and forcing them to open their eyes they do so as from a deep sleep, and soon the lids close again, and usually death occurs without any particular movement of the animal, and after a mute agony; at most its wings flutter a little as it dies. The disease is produced by a microscopic organism which has been successively described, more or less perfectly, by Moritz of Alsatis, Peron of Tuin, and Toussaint of Toulouse. This microscopic organism differs from all allied ones, by not developing in beer; in fact, this fluid, which favors the development of the anthrax bacillus, is fatal to it. Animals recovering from one attack, present an immunity to in the future; the Cochinchina breed presents a natural immunity to the virus.—*Pasteur, report in L'Union Medicale.*

THE PEDESTRIAN TOURNAMENT.

The 72-hours go-as-you-please pedestrian tournament at the Adelaide Street Rink, closed on Saturday night the 12th inst, at 11 o'clock. Everything connected with the affair passed off most successfully, and Mr. Chas. Atkinson, the manager, and those interested with him can congratulate themselves on their success in the conduct of the affair. The financial outcome was not so flattering as anticipated, and the tournament can not be considered satisfactory in a pecuniary sense. An accident which might have been attended with more serious results occurred on the conclusion of the tournament. A rush was made for the door, and the bridge across the track becoming over crowded, fell, precipitating those on it to the track, a distance of about ten feet. Beyond some bruises no one was hurt, which, considering the circumstances, can be considered fortunate. It is thought Clow could easily have made 400 miles if he had been so disposed; while Barrett, the second man, astonished his friends. The disappointment of the walk was Panchot, who started as favorite, but withdrew the first day. Old Desfont showed the effect Father Time has exercised on his once great powers, and had to succumb early in the race to his pale-faced brothers. The intermediate races created little excitement, being too much of the "cut-and-dried" order. Below we give a table of the distances deserving of notice accomplished; the remainder not being worthy of mention:—

NAMES.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.
Clow	78-12	102	222	288	345-7	384-3
Barrett	76-9	145	206-4	262	315-4	361-3
Curtis	62-3	120	178-5	242-2	299-3	355-7
Albert	67-8	126	182	239-4	296-7	340-8
Itatjen	62-10	113-9	164	223-10	282-9	333-11
N. Y. Newsboy	33-1	118-1	175-3	227-11	284-5	324-5
Haberger	35-2	102-4	158-1	200-4	248-7	277-3

Owing to press of matter last week we were unable to publish the above account.

Rod and Gun.

LAND-LOCKED SALMON.

Most of our fishermen are well acquainted with the "Land-Locked Salmon" of the St. Croix lakes and the splendid sport they afford to the angler. The rapid settlement of that district, and the erection of several factories on Grand Lake stream, threatened the extinction of this variety of the *salmo*, when Prof. Baird, the United States Commissioner of Fisheries, took timely measures to preserve it by artificial breeding, and many of the lakes of Maine and other States are now well stocked with this excellent game fish. Through the exertions of Overseer Frank Todd, of St. Stephen, and the kindness of Prof. Baird and Commissioner Stillwell, of Maine, our townsman, Thomas F. Raymond, Esq., has procured from the Hatchery on Grand Lake stream about 10,000 fine, healthy fry, which arrived by the Western train last night in care of Mr. Benjamin Wyatt, the Fishery Warden for the American side of the St. Croix River. On the arrival of the train, Mr. Wyatt was met by Mr. Raymond, and the fry were immediately conveyed to their destination and successfully planted in the waters of Loch Lomond, which are admirably adapted to their growth and propagation.

We learn that a still larger number will next spring be procured by Overseer Todd for the same destination, and reasonable hopes are indulged that in a few years the waters of Lake Lomond will afford ample sport to the angler and yield many a well-filled creel of these delicious fish.

In this connexion we cannot refrain from contrasting the liberality of the United States Commissioners with the niggardly policy pursued by our Superintendent of Fish Culture, who, residing in Ontario, knows nothing of the wants and capacity of our rivers and inland waters. In a former issue we mentioned the fact that a gentleman on the St. Croix erected a Fish Hatchery at his own expense and applied to the Superintendent for a few thousand salmon ova, which he would hatch out and place in the St. Croix River. He was informed that there was none to spare and his request could not be granted. We find in the report of Fish Breeding for 1879, which has just reached us, the following in the report of Mr. Mowat, the officer in charge of the Restigouche Hatchery:—

"I respectfully beg to inform you that, after careful examination, I am satisfied this Hatchery contains 1,600,000 perfect ova. * * * As to the danger in the Hatchery from overcrowding, I beg to say that, with less ova last year, I had to relieve it by filling my distributing boats and placing them out in the river; owing to the difficulty of graduating the proper supply of water in the boats, and keeping the fish clean, this plan was not very satisfactory, as more loss was experienced than in the Hatchery."

What the loss from this cause has since been we do not know, but, of course, with a much larger surplus, a much larger loss would be inevitable from this overcrowding, and yet the gentleman who made the application was told none could be spared from a Hatchery which was thus overcrowded. In the same issue we urged that this surplus, which Mr. Mowat reported to be in danger from overcrowding, should be removed to the St. John Hatchery, which was practically empty; but no attention was paid to our reasonable request. We cannot but think that a more liberal policy on the part of the Superintendent would better meet the reasonable requests of gentlemen whose only aim is the public good.—*Daily Sun*, St. John's, N. B.

Mr. John Wallace, of Lausdown, has been appointed a Fishing Inspector on the St. Lawrence.

At a recent meeting of the Montreal Fish and Game Protection Society a deputation was appointed to proceed to Quebec with reference to the proposed amendment of the law referring to the shooting of ducks and deer.

Prince Leopold and suite will enjoy some fishing to low Quebec previous to their departure for England, which is to take place on the 24th prox.

Sr Bache Cunard, M. G. Cunard and F. Gosling, of England, registered at the New Victoria, St. Johns, N.B., last week en route north on a fishing tour.

ITALIAN QUAIL FOR MAINE.—The steamer containing the quails shipped from Massa, Italy, for Maine, arrived in New York, June 5. There was about twenty-six hundred birds in all, and some four hundred arrived in this city last evening. One lot came direct to B. B. Thatcher, Esq., and the other to H. W. Durgon, Esq., both of whom circulated a paper among the sportsmen in this city, in order to raise the money to make the purchase. The latter lot are at F. T. Hall & Co.'s store, where they were examined by quite a number of our citizens. They will be divided into pairs this morning and liberated in the fields in the vicinity, it being now time for them to breed. The law will protect them for the next three years and by that time they will be quite numerous here.—*Bungor Whig*.

Kennel.

TORONTO DOG SHOW

Last week we briefly announced the holding of a meeting of gentlemen interested in the dog show in connection with the Industrial Exhibition next September. There is not much more news to give this week, but what has transpired is very encouraging. On Tuesday evening of last week a number of the Committee waited on the Exhibition Directors, to whom they were introduced by Mr. Reunie. Upon being invited to submit their propositions, Messrs. Stewart and Watson set forth at considerable length the advisability of holding a first-class show, such as would attract good entries from the United States as well as Canada; further explaining that to do this prizes of value were necessary as much to enable a good entrance fee to be charged, and so exclude valueless dogs, as to get good entries. A grant of \$400 was asked for, and this being so much in excess of what the Board of Directors had anticipated would be asked, they did not feel that an immediate answer could be given, and it was decided to appoint Messrs. Reunie, McGregor, Smith and Doel as a committee to enquire and report to the Board at its next meeting which was held Tuesday evening.

The Dog Tax.

That dogs should be taxed is beyond doubt imperative, but we cannot commend many portions of the plan of operation in Toronto which is adopted throughout the Province. The system of paying for a brass check exempting your dog from capture, while at some previous date you may possibly have paid the tax itself, is wrong in principle, and only another of the many cobwebs which will remain in municipal bodies undisturbed by the broom of improvement. It would seem the simplest thing in the world, any outsider would imagine, for the corporation to amalgamate the enforcing of the tax and the granting of the exemption and receive a much larger revenue from the canine residents than they do now. No greater loop-hole for fraud could be suggested than the granting an exemption apart from the collection of the tax, and we will guarantee that the books of the corporation show a marked difference between the number who pay for exemption and those who pay their license. The brass tag should be made to act as a voucher that the tax had been paid, and not simply a means of retaining your dog and escaping the payment of that tax, so that the number of tags issued would be conclusive as to the number of dogs owned in the city, whereas it is nothing of the kind as the thing is arranged at present.

There is also the question of a heavier tax for bitches than for dogs, which is perfectly erroneous and cannot be justified on any good grounds. The gentleman who distributes the tags at the Toronto City Hall told us the other day that if he had his way he would have bitches taxed \$5. A further question elicited the information

that it was purely on moral grounds, and that like the late Lord Mavor of London, who had the case of the Zulu photographs before him, he feared for the rising generation. It has always been our opinion that any such breaches of decency were as much the fault of the male as the female, and in reply to this the gentleman of the tags shifted his ground and said that bitches were more valuable on account of their breeding properties. This was flatly contradicted, for, as everyone at all conversant with valuable dogs knows a dog yields far the larger revenue. At present a petition is being signed for the tax to be \$1 for a dog and \$2.50 for a bitch, and before any action is taken in the matter we desire to place certain facts before the eyes of those interested in the subject.

The dog tax is established for the purpose of keeping down the useless and dangerous curs that would otherwise infest the country, and to restrict their numbers to dogs whose tax is paid, either on account of value or affection. As a part of the reason there is nothing more pertinent than sheep killing, and when we state that dogs are the culprits in this case, and back that up by proof, it may be that in place of the proposed alteration in the tax, matters may be entirely changed, and dogs suffer the penalty of their indiscretions.

In the current number of a very excellent quarterly magazine published in New York under the title of "The Archives of Comparative Medicine and Surgery," and devoted to the Anatomy, Pathology and Therapeutics of the Lower Animals, an article is published on the "Castration of the Dog—its desirability as a means of checking the sheep killing and other evil propensities of the species," by Alexander Haddon, M. D., N. Y. The subject is rather a delicate one to handle outside of a medical or veterinary journal, but extracts may be made without offence. The author begins as follows:

The raids made by dogs upon sheep and other defenceless domestic animals, such as fowls, have been so frequent, and the consequent destruction of property throughout the United States alone has been so great, that almost every means that could be thought of to prevent them and still retain this useful animal as a part of the household has been devised and put into practice, but, as yet with only partial success.

The chief preventives hitherto employed have been the following: The destruction from time to time of the animals themselves; the assessment of damages upon the owner of the culprit; the levying of a tax upon dogs, the revenue arising from which to be applied to the liquidation of all damages resulting from these raids; the breeding and employment of certain varieties of the species—namely, such as might be thought less prone to offend in the manner indicated, in preference to other varieties more likely to offend.

As the statistics show, none of these expedients, nor all of them together, have yet been found effectual in preventing the evil. The Commissioner of Agriculture, in his report for the year 1865, makes the following startling statement in regard to the ravages of dogs upon sheep in the United States; and this, too, comprises only the returns from 375 counties of 23 States. Number of sheep killed in that year, 77,851. From this he estimates the whole number of sheep killed by dogs in the United States during the same period at, in round numbers, no less than 500,000 head, and the loss to the growers at \$2,000,000. Since 1865 no reports have been made, but there is good reason to believe that the ravages since then, and the consequent pecuniary loss, annually have been no less.

Upon inquiring into the matter, we find that dogs are not driven to undertake these raids by hunger or by any other such uncontrollable propensity or desire, but are actuated wholly by a spirit of mischief which seems to be an incidental remnant of their wild state. Furthermore, we discover that the dog never goes upon these raids alone. He always seeks a companion of his own species, and sometime the animals go in packs. It is noticeable that these raids are almost invariably preceded by the intimate association of neighboring dogs.

Castration produces a change—if we may be allowed the expression—in the moral character of the animal. The objects of his attachment are now different. Whereas, before he wandered from home, seeking the companionship of others of his kind; now, he becomes more firmly attached to his home, and more dependant than ever upon his master.

We have a letter from a gentleman living at Mount Pleasant, Wayne Co., Pa., Mr. Arthur Stevenson, who may justly be regarded as an expert in all that relates to the dog. He says in the letter referred to: "I have

during a period of many years, operated upon a great number of dogs, and I never to my knowledge killed a dog by so doing. And I can truly say, that I have never known a dog whose habits were not materially improved by the operation. I think they will last longer and do better service." On being interrogated, he states further, that he never has known a dog operated upon to have hydrophobia or to engage to engage in killing sheep. Not because such a dog might not contract hydrophobia the same as another if bitten by a rabid animal, but he is not so apt to associate with other dogs, hence his chances for taking the disease are reduced to a minimum.

Mr. Darwin in his *Researches into Natural History*, tells us that in the *Banda Oriental*, in South America, it is a common thing to see flocks of sheep guarded by one or two dogs at a distance of some miles from any house. After describing the method of training the dogs to perform this service, he goes on to say: "The puppy is moreover, generally castrated, so that when grown up it can scarcely have any feeling in common with the rest of its kind. From this education it has no wish to leave the flock, and just as another dog will defend his master, man, so will this the sheep."

The statement made above, that the raids upon sheep and other defenceless animals are made only by the male canine, is corroborated by the testimony of Mr. Wm. A. Conkling, Superintendent of the Zoological Department of Central Park, New York. When these marauders frequent in greater numbers than usual the enclosure where deer and certain other animals are kept, an attempt to abate the nuisance is sometimes made by poisoning the offenders. Among the dead bodies found afterwards lying about, Mr. Conkling states that he has never yet found a bitch.

To the reasons already urged we might add further, that in the emasculated condition he makes a less objectionable house pet, and is in this respect far superior to the bitch. He will also live to a greater age. Obscene street scenes would be avoided. There is a law to prevent stallions and rams from going at large. In the interests of decency the same law should, we think, be extended also to the dog, if the other sufficient reasons which have above been urged do not prevail.

It will be seen that Dr. Hadden very clearly proves that the male is the sex to be looked after by the law and not the female, and when such is the case it does seem anomalous that the greater offender should be the one least affected by the law. Sheep-killing is an offence not uncommon in Canada by any means, and it is only a few days since Mr. Isaac Barnum lost thirty sheep from that cause, while another farmer in Thur low had three wounded. It would be very desirable if any person having any knowledge of who the culprits were in these cases would publish their information in order that if the views of Dr. Hadden are upheld, dogs may not get off quite so easily as the proposers of the amendment, now being figured, recommend.

KENNEL NOTES.

Notices of Visits, Births, and Sales are inserted free if sent by advertisers or subscribers.

VISITS.

May 21 and 22, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. W. H. Pierce's Gordon setter Jennie to Dr. Aten's Glen.

May 24 and 25, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. W. H. Pierce's Gordon setter Fannie to Dr. Aten's Glen.

May 8 and 11, at Albany, N. Y., Mr. W. H. Pierce's Irish setter Gussie to Mr. W. N. Callender's champion Rory O'More.

June 5, at Elizabeth, N. J., U. S., Mr. John W. Burgess of Orange, N. J., imported Scotch Collie Flora to Mr. W. Lindsay's imported Rex, winner of 1st prize, New York, 1880.

June — at Hillsdale, Mich., Dr. T. C. Moddax's Blond II. to Mr. Arnold Burgess' Druid.

BIRTHS.

Mr. C. F. Stevens' Eclipse has whelped eight pups to Mr. Arnold Burgess' Druid.

May 31, at Albany, N. Y., Mr. W. N. Callender's Queen Bass, nine puppies—five dogs—by his Champion Rory O'More.

PURCHASES.

Mr. W. B. Wells, Jr., of Chatham, has sold his setter bitch Dido, by Druid—Star, to Mr. J. O. Donner, of New York.

Mr. E. A. Godefroy, of Neversink Kennels, has purchased from Mr. C. S. Keller, of Washington D. C., the white and black pointer dog Plato.

Mr. C. S. Keller, of Washington, D. C., has purchased from Mr. E. A. Godefroy, of Neversink Kennels, the Irish setter puppy, Boreen, by Rover II—Moya.

H. B. Harrison, of Tilsonburg, Ont., has imported from the kennel of J. C. Higgins, of Delaware City, Del., English setter puppy Foreman, by Dashing Monarch—Fairy II. This puppy is well marked, black, white and tan ticked, and ought to turn out well if pedigree can do it, and we are to be congratulated on having such dogs imported to improve our natives. Mr. Harrison is removing his kennel of Laveracks from London to Tilsonburg, where he may be heard from.

DEATHS.

Mr. E. W. Harris had the misfortune to lose, by an accident, his beautiful Gordon setter Bob. This was a most promising young dog, purchased from Dr. Niven. A railway train cut him in pieces.

Mr. A. H. Moore, of Philadelphia, Pa., has engaged E. S. Wannaker, of Cool Spring, N. C., as field trainer for the Moorefield Kennels.

ANOTHER DOG SHOW.—The *Hamilton Spectator* thinks if the dog show proposed to be held in connection with the Industrial Exhibition can be managed, there is no reason why the dog owners and fanciers of Hamilton cannot organize one for the Provincial Exhibition week.

Mr. J. Douglas, Toronto, thinks his late purchase, a red Irish setter puppy, is a little better than any other man's. He will get a chance of proving this if the proposed dog show comes to anything. It is a very good one, as it should be, considering the price Mr. Douglas paid for it.

HORSE BREEDING.

To the Editor of *Town and Country*:

Sir,—It must be evident to every thinking man in Ontario that stock raising must be followed up to make farming pay in Ontario. In a very few years the great North-West will be the wheat producing country of the world, and many of our farmers being already alive to this fact, are to some extent giving more of their attention to the class of cattle they raise than they have been in the habit of doing heretofore. Breeding of horses, if only properly attended to, will be also found to be most profitable if parties will only be particular in the stock they breed from, and do not as they have been too much in the habit of doing using every scrub of a horse that goes the road.

To secure the best paying breeds, care must be taken on both sides, and not as it is too often the case when a mare turns out useless on the farm, "Oh, well," the owner says, "she will do to breed from."

Is it not often the case we get the best stock on on the dam's side.

Only see from a list of prices of racing stock in England yearlings bringing from \$7,000 to \$11,000, not hundreds, which would satisfy our Canadian farmers, but thousands, and why should we not take the hint and raise them. The English market and the American market is open to us. For a good class and a well bred horse, however, the farmer has seldom to go from his own stable door for a purchaser.

There may be various opinions about racing, but it is a great means of bringing out the most valuable animals in any country, and while we see in almost every direction, attention given by all lovers of horses, Toronto is singularly behind in this respect, and if the citizens will still frown down racing let the Agricultural Societies offer handsome prizes which will have the effect of directing the attention of farmers and breeders to produce better horses.

This is well worthy the attention also of the Agricultural Commission lately formed by the Ontario Government, and we hope to see liberal prizes offered by this department for a good breed of horses.—BREKDER.

Athletics.

BANK ATHLETIC SPORTS.

On Saturday afternoon a most enjoyable programme was provided for the lovers of athletics by the Bank Athletic Club on the grounds of the Toronto Lacrosse Club. Fully 500 persons were on the grounds, and as may easily be understood the class of visitors was the best Toronto can produce; a very large proportion being ladies, who, without a word of flattery, were as conspicuous for beauty as for taste in dress. An athletic meeting without a good attendance of the fair sex always seems to us a very insipid affair something like a garden devoid of flowers, the attraction to the eye being wanting which pleases, even if one has not time for critical examination and admiration. It is hardly too much to say that the healthy condition of athletics in England and the United States is due to the family interest that is engendered and fostered by the presence of mothers and sisters, particularly some other fellow's sister at the sports, and if Canadian athletic clubs can only imitate older associations in that respect they will do much to cultivate a taste for athletics. The afternoon was warm and close, and before the close a slight thunder shower which caused a clearance of the stands many having ere that taken the precaution of leaving the grounds. The events to be decided were mainly confined to Bank employees the open races being 100 yards, quarter mile and a mile, and in the majority of them the competitions was close and excited plently of interest. We think that without doing any harm the officers of the day might be selected more on account of their knowledge of the laws and practice of athletics than was the case on this occasion, still it cannot be alleged that any grievous harm was done. In the open hundred a start, or rather a false start, was made, some of the men getting the jump of the pistol, the starter immediately calling them back. His doing so overruled the firing of the pistol, but the committee not feeling certain what to do let it go as a race. The trouble was not the fault of Mr. Powell who officiated as starter, but was entirely due to the continued breaking away of some of the runners, and, after that, he gave notice that he would penalize men who went over the mark. This had the desired effect and the remainder of the starts were excellent. In the two mile-walk—a funeral procession according to the time test—the judges were not in these places with the tape, so unfortunately, Mr. Armstrong missed the benefit of his coming in a good foot in front of his opponent for a cry of "dead heat" was raised by those not opposite the finish and that was the official verdict recorded. Arthurs ran a very good quarter, and Auldjo surprised those who knew he was anything but fit, by making such a good race with MacLean in the open mile, both just beating five minutes. The officers were Mr. W. D. Powell, starter; Mr. D. R. Wilkie and Mr. L. H. Robertson, Judges; Mr. Brodie, referee; and Mr. W. J. Tulby, clerk of the course. The times given were taken by Mr. Massey of the Lacrosse Club, in conjunction with our representative who used an Aiburndale Chronograph. Details:—

Throwing Cricket Ball—J. Fraser, Toronto Bank, Cobourg, 94½ yds, 1; R. C. W. Connally, Commerce, 2.

100 yards race—W. DeBlanchiere, Montreal, 1; G. R. Hargraft, Toronto, 2; E. Crickmore, Dominion, 3; J. Fraser, Toronto, 0. Won cleverly by a foot, a yard and a half between second and third. Time 10½ sec.

Running high Jump—J. Alley, Federal, 4ft, 5in, 1; J. Fraser, Toronto, 2; E. Hughes, Ontario, 3.

100 yards open to all—W. T. Arthurs 1, G. F. MacGregor 2, J. Newell 3, W. DeBlanchiere 0, W. Rankin 0, E. G. Gurney 0. Arthurs and Macgregor got the better of the pistol and were never caught. Time 10 2-5 sec from the flag.

Quarter mile Race—E. Crickmore, Dominion, 1; W. DeBlanchiere, Montreal, 2; G. R. Hargraft, Toronto, 3; A. W. Stewart, Ontario, 0; DeBlanchiere led off, but halfway round the lower turn Crickmore raced up alongside, and then on the backstretch came away with a commanding lead which he held throughout, winning by ten yards from DeBlanchiere; Hargraft third, five yards behind.

Wide Jump—J. Fraser, Toronto, 17ft. 4in., 1; C. Borland, Ontario, 2.

Two-mile walk.—C. W. Armstrong, Federal, and G. Tempest, Ontario, were placed equal, but Armstrong certainly won by a foot, and was decidedly the better walker of the pair. The time made is the best gauge of the merits of both, one mile 10 min. 24 sec., two miles 20 min. 5 sec.

Messengers' Race.—T. Blackwell, Federal, 1, W. Chapman, Ontario, 2. Won by twenty yards. Time 67½ sec.

Half mile—A. W. Stewart, Ontario, 1, A. G. Ross, Montreal, 2, Geo. Kerr, Montreal, 3, R. Bethune, Merchants, 0. Kerr took up the running and had a five yard lead of Bethune at the turn, the latter closed up at the quarter and took the lead. Going up the hill again Stewart ran past his men and Ross to second place. This order remained unchanged Stewart winning by

ten yards from Ross, who beat his fellow clerk by fifteen yards.

Vaulting with Pole.—J. Ailey, Federal, 9 ft. 2 in., 1, J. Fraser, 9 ft., 2.

One mile Race for Managers' Challenge Cup.—O Redmond, Dominion, 1, E. Crickmore, Dominion, 2, A. G. Ross, Montreal, 3, G. R. Hargratt, Toronto, 4. Redmond waited in front all the way, and won without being extended, Crickmore giving up two hundred yards from home, the other two having previously retired. Time 5 min. 38 sec.

Quarter-mile Race, open.—W. T. Arthur 1, W. T. Rough 2, W. H. Merritt 3, J. Crowther, Jr., 4, W. Rankin 5, W. E. Bennett 6, E. G. Gurney 7, C. P. Orr 8. Arthur at a strong pace made all the running, and won by fifteen yards, five yards between second and third. Time 54½ sec.

§ Hurdle Race, 120 yards over six hurdles.—J. Fraser, Toronto, 1, G. R. Hargratt, Toronto, 2, W. DeBlasiere, Montreal, 3. Won by fifteen yards. The Montrealer knocked down three hurdles and fell at two of them. Time, 17½ sec.

One mile race, open.—A. A. MacLean 1, W. D. Auldjo 2, S. Hughes 3. Auldjo went away with the lead, closely followed by the other two, making the quarter in 1:15 and the half in 2:33. On the third lap MacLean was in front at the top turn, but Auldjo once more got in front on the backstretch the last time round and a rare race ensued, MacLean served by his turn of speed getting the best of the struggle on the run in, and winning by two yards in 4m. 59½s.

The tug of war contest was won by the team from Banks, east of Yonge street. The three-legged race was won by Messrs. Smith and Wells, of the Federal Bank, and the sack race by E. Hughes, Ontario Bank. The champion cup for the best average was won by J. Fraser, Bank of Toronto, Cobourg Branch.

SUMMARY BY BANKS.

	First.	Seconds
Federal Bank.....	4½	½
Bank of Toronto.....	3	4
Ontario Bank.....	2½	2
Dominion Bank.....	2	—
Bank of Montreal.....	1	3
Bank of Commerce.....	—	1½

ATHLETICS AT OSGOODE.

On Wednesday last the athletes of Ottawa and other places, visited the well known Doyle's Grove, where the R. O. Church of Osgoode held its annual picnic. The sports in connection came off in the open field under the management of Messrs. P. Baskerville, Thomas Birkett, Charles Christian and Neil McCaul.

100 yards race—P M Duffy 1, A Kerr 2, W Grieves 3.

Quarter mile race—J Lynard 1, George Bell 2, James McCarden 3, B Clemon 4, Peter Johnson 5.

Half mile race—J Descaie 1, J Plunkett 2.

Mile race—Peter Blanche 1, Peter Johnson 2, M Ryan 3, D Kelly 4, F Delan 5, Dolan 6, W Nolan 7, M O'Brien 8.

Walking match—W Grieves 1, George Bell and A Watts disqualified.

Hop, step and leap—Andrew Kerr 1, F H Elmore 2.

Throwing the hammer—Charles Christian, 67ft. 1; C Banks 2.

Long leap—P Duffy 1, A Kerr 2, W Grieves 3.

HAMILTON FORESTERS' FETE.

In connection with the Foresters Fete, held at Dundurn Park, Hamilton, on Monday, June 14, a number of athletic events were held, the following being the most important:

Five miles race—All comers. F A Woods 1, P Oakes 2, R C Clarke 3.

100 yards race—All comers. T Howard 1.

Half mile race—All comers. E Case 1, A Woods 2.

300 yards race—All comers. T Howard 1, H Alexander 2, J Richardson 3.

The races were for money prizes.

Ottawa is to have a new gymnasium.

Raine & Taaf are getting too much free advertising.

E. S. Tisdale of Tilsonburg is matched with J. Quirk, of Brantford, to run 115 yards for \$500 a side, June 30, at Brantford. Scratch start.

McRae, of Glencoe, beat Bert Haywood, of Newbury, in a race of 125 yards, for \$25 aside at Newbury, on the 14th inst.

John Foley, of New York, formerly of Manchester, Eng., rode a bicycle race against John T. Gard, of Buffalo, at the Buffalo Driving Park, on Wednesday last. Tally rode 20 miles to Gard's 18, and then won without any trouble, as well he might, in 1hr. 28 min. 15 sec.

Peterborough Lacrosse Club—The first of the series of fortnightly races for the medals presented by the President of the Peterborough Lacrosse Club, took place

on Monday 14th inst, on the Ashburnham Cricket ground in presence of a large number of spectators. The distance was one quarter of a mile, and the following members started: Messrs. W Saunderson, W Morrow, F W J Haultain, J C Robertson, M Halpin, A B Craig, Jas Mackisson, O Le Brun, W Davis, P Cookery and L McNaughton. Haultain shot at once to the front and kept there, increasing his lead all the way round, and winning by about thirty yards, in 1 min 7 sec. J C Robinson second, beat M Halpin by two feet. Craig fourth and Mackisson fifth.

Aquatics.

THE PROVIDENCE REGATTA.

A worse managed regatta never took place on this Continent, we honestly believe, than that for the Hop Bitters prizes and purses at Providence, R. I., on June 17. More committees and sub-committees were appointed than work could be found for them to do, and the consequence was that nothing was done properly, and at the critical time everything went wrong, and then as a final straw the water became so rough that it was a question whether the boats could live home. Two races were decided, one of three miles for amateurs, and the other of four miles for professionals, the former being called first. The starters were William Murray, of Portsmouth, Va.; Timothy Murphy, of Norwich, Conn.; Frank E. Holmes, of Pawtucket, R. I.; Edward Hayden, of Boston; George Gaisel, of New York; John Buckley, of Portland, Me., and Joseph Laing, of Montreal. Holmes got the best of the start, and catching the water first rapidly drew ahead, followed by Gaisel and Hayden. These positions remained unchanged at the half-mile, but at the mile Gaisel was leading Holmes. Laing third. During the next half mile Holmes spurred and rounded the turn first, leading Gaisel and Murray by between four and five lengths. Buckley and Murphy turned respectively fifth and sixth, though the latter rounded Holmes' buoy. Laing was sixth and Hayden was seventh to turn. Holmes having got the lead kept it to the finish, passing the judge three lengths in advance of the New Yorker. Laing was third, Murray fourth, Buckley fifth, Hayden sixth and Murphy seventh. Time, 22m. 44s.

Without any delay Mr. Curtis called the professional oarsmen out, though the water had now become very rough. Ten starters took positions at the post, numbering from the bank as follows: Wallace Ross, St. John, N. B., 1; George W. Lee, Newark, N. J., 2; James Riley, Saratoga, N. Y., 3; Horatio Delano, Chelsea, Mass., 4; James A. Ten Eyck, Peekskill, N. Y., 5; Fred. A. Flaisted, Boston, Mass., 6; Jacob Gaudier, Toronto, 7; James A. Dempsey, Geneva, N. Y., 8; Robert W. Boyd, Middleboro, England, 9; Edward Hanlan, Toronto, 10.

The facilities afforded the press for seeing and describing this race were of the worst possible description. The men did not appear in their announced colors, and the telephonic signal line broke down. To add to the chaos, the course was crowded into by boats, and there was neither head nor tail to the whole affair. Description is utterly out of the question, and only a few reliable particulars can be strung together. Boyd was rowing in a boat of Hanlan's much too small for him, and was never in the hunt, going from bad to worse in the rough water. Hanlan jumped away and drew out half a length from Boyd in three strokes. At a quarter of a mile he was three lengths in front of everybody, and when he had added another length he remained content. The pace for the first mile was terrific, everyone trying the cutting down game, and at that time Hanlan, Ross and Riley were far ahead of all the rest. Hanlan had already had a touch of the pain just above his left groin, and casing up to get rid of it he let Ross get slightly in front. Feeling better he soon passed the St. John's man, only to be once more compelled to ease. Again getting to work he passed Ross and took the lead again, but the pain becoming more intense he had to slacken and virtually withdraw, although he paddled on some distance further. Ross had then a commanding lead of Riley and kept it throughout. Ten Eyck was placed third, but beyond a doubt that position was occupied by Gaudier, whose crossing of the line was obscured from the vision of the officials, we presume, by the crowd of boats on the course. The time of Ross was 29:54, and of Riley 30:30.

Hanlan arrived home on Saturday last, and has been ordered complete rest by his physician.

The Toronto Rowing Club has once more postponed its Regatta—this time to July 8.

Rowing Notes.

A meeting was held at Brantford on the evening of June 15, to organize a rowing club, and a committee was appointed to obtain a roll of membership, so as to form an association at once.

To win amateur races requires something else than calling better men "professionals." There is no outcry when the "professionals" are beaten.

"Amateur" of Montreal must be a veritable Rip Van Winkle if he knows no more about amateur custom and laws than his letter to the Mail would lead its readers to believe.

Henley on Thames Royal Regatta which began on June 17 was, of course, attended by wet weather. There never was a dry Henley Regatta, and no one expects that there ever will be.

J. H. Strachan, of Toronto, defeated T. Wilson, of London, in a 3½ miles race on last Thursday evening at London. The race was for \$10, and Strachan had 100 yards start.

The Argonaut four for the U. S. National Association Regatta are: Robert McKay, bow; J. Hogg, No. 2; Thos. P. Galt, No. 3; and George F. Galt, stroke.

Fredericton, N. B., will not hold a professional regatta on Dominion Day.

A double scull race took place at Brantford on the 11th inst. between C. Phipps and T. Digby and P. Buck and F. Foster. The latter won by a length and a half.

When Hanlan wins the race is sold; when Hanlan loses the race is sold. People who continually raise this "sold" cry, measure Hanlan and others by their own bushel. Even if a dead heat took place they would say the race was sold.

The Sho-wae-cae-mettes, after their defeat at New Orleans, being dissatisfied with their boat sold it on the spot and will order a new one. At the coming regattas Duseau and Durell will probably enter for double-sculls and pair-oared races, and Bowley for the senior singles.

The Hilldale (Mich.) rowing Association has changed the time of its annual regatta to July 28 and 29.

The Hillsdales have entered for the double scull and four-oared races of the Mississippi valley amateur rowing association's regatta at Moline, Ill., this week.

A meeting of the Forest City Rowing Club was held at London on June 14, when it was decided to hold club races for cups on Saturday next, over the Thames course. The races will be single and double sculls and four-oared and a duck hunt.

THE REGAL FISHING PARTY.

Advices received from the Quebec side of the Bay of Chaleur, are to the effect that salmon commenced to ascend the Grand Cascapedia about the 11th inst. some 28 days later than last year. They appear to be very scarce, only a few having been taken in nets yet.

His Excellency the Governor General was expected to arrive about the 16th, but the fact that the fish have only commenced to ascend will, in all probability induce him to postpone his visit till the prospect of sport are assured. Col. DeWinton has already paid a visit to the waters and selected a site for the erection of a cottage for the Vice Regal party. The building, which was constructed in Quebec was brought down in a schooner and then hauled a distance of seven miles to the place selected. The frame is now up, the walls plank'd, windows and doors in position and the roof ready for shingling. The structure will be ready for occupancy in less than a fortnight. It is not yet definitely known how many persons will comprise the Vice Regal party, but it is expected that there will be quite a number. —The St. John's Daily Sun.

It is rumoured about town that Sir J. A. McDonald, in conversation with Harry Piper, told him that he had heard that Alex. Mackenzie declared Alderman Baxter had stated to Sir L. Lilley as a fact that the Maquis of Iorne told Major de Winton, that Lady Dufferin had told H. R. H. the Princess Louise that Lord Dufferin had informed Prince Leopold that the only place in Canada he could get a first-class shirt was at A. White's, 65 King St. West, Toronto

Billiards.

W. COOK AND W. MITCHELL, FOR £400.

The second important money match between these players took place on Monday evening, May 31st, at St. James' Hall, when Cook conceded his rival 200 in 1,000 up, on an ordinary table, for £200 a side. There was a large attendance, and a very exciting match was witnessed. Mitchell, prior to the opening of the game, was made favorite at 5 to 4 on. In the first half of the contest Cook had clearly the best of matters, and with chief efforts of 113 (seventeen spots) and 128 (forty-one spots) unfinished, he reached 501 against 373, when the interval took place. On the game being resumed Cook brought his addition up to 163 (forty-one and ten spots) before giving way, and this he supplemented with 107 (ten, seven and eight spots) before Mitchell made an important move, the scratch player then having a lead of 246 points. So rosy did Cook's chance appear before the resumption of the game that the odds veered round to 8 to 1 in his favor. Mitchell now woke up, however, and with 81 (twenty one spots) and a splendid break of 217 (sixty eight spots), he again reversed the order, the figures reading at 701 to 690 to his credit. Twice after this the leadership was changed, however, and in spite of the fact that the Sheffielder displayed consummate nerve, he had in the end to submit to a defeat—almost as glorious as a victory—by 41 points. It is rare indeed that such excitement is manifested over a billiard match as was witnessed on Monday night, the cue ring being extraordinary at every change of position, and while Cook's masterly play well deserved the great success achieved, no one will begrudge the Sheffielder the applause his determined play received. It may be mentioned that the score was well called by W. Ingarfield, who gave out the figures with promptness and precision. Prior to the match being commenced, the balance of the stakes were deposited with our representative.

After the first few strokes Mitchell obtained an opening, and by the assistance of cannons and red losses he got opposite the red at 221, when he compiled a succession of eleven spot strokes in a break of 48, which took the record to 251-3 in his favor. Here he broke down, the red being left over the right hand top pocket. Cook only made two spots, however, but by means of the all round game he ran up 77. Mitchell then added on five, when he failed at an ordinary cannon, leaving the object ball in a dead line with his opponent's over the top pocket. A single winner was therefore enough to enable Cook to obtain an angle at the top of the table, when he added on 75, which took the game to—Mitchell 259, Cook 155. After a series of poor efforts, in which Cook did much the best, and gradually drew up to his opponent's figures, the score stood—Mitchell 316, Cook 256. Several uneventful innings ensued, Mitchell leaving a double baulk at 388. Off this the scratch player made a fine angle cannon, and by a series of beautifully-judged cannons and losing hazards he soon entered the same century as his rival, when by spot play he got within 15 points of his opponents, the marker calling—Mitchell 384, 373. This break amounted to 143, including seventeen spots. The Champion soon obtained another opening, when he kept busy until at 497 he got out of line, and having made a cannon the interval was called, the game standing at 501 to 388 in his favor. Cook's unfinished break amounted to 128, including a succession of forty one spots, the game so far having lasted 1 hour and 5 min.

Hostilities were renewed at twenty minutes to ten, when Cook made up his break to 163, forty-one and ten spots, the figures reading at—Cook 540, Mitchell 388. Three difficult cannons, which evoked loud applause, were credited to Mitchell here, and the game was shortly announced as—Cook 540, Mitchell 401

The former was once more in form at this point, running up 197, including ten, seven and eight spots. Mitchell now received a much needed opportunity, and an 83 break was credited him before he gave way, inclusive of twenty six spots, and after a cannon from his rival he tried to put down that player's ball, but was unsuccessful, and Cook was enabled of what was left to get busy with the red at 656. Ten spots were then credited to that cueist, when he got out of line, but continued his break up to 690. Here he broke down at a difficult running through cannon. This effort was 51, and at its close the scoring board indicated Cook 690, Mitchell 484. The latter at the second attempt now got busy at his favorite stroke, having disposed of his adversary's ball previously. The marker was thus soon able to call 692-690 in his favor, which announcement caused applause. He made no pause here, until at 701 he accidentally touched his ball, and Cook claiming a foul the referee decided against the striker, when he gave a double baulk, the record at this point standing at—Mitchell 701, Cook 690. The spot-player's break on this occasion was 217, made up principally by sixty-eight spot-hazards. Cook made no sign here, and Mitchell, aided by a compilation of 73 (twenty spots), progressed to 779 against 690. The Champion, on again taking up his cue, got another look in at the spot end of the table, and beginning that stroke at 699 he entered his eighth century, and keeping the red on the move he was yet again on level terms at 779, whence he passed to the front, and entered his ninth hundred, arriving at 833 to 779 ere he gave way, his effort being 152, in which was a run of forty six spots. Mitchell in turn by miscellaneous play drew up to 792, when having disposed of Cook's ball he renewed his spot practice. Once more these redoubtable opponents were at even points at 843, but Mitchell did not remain long here. He still continued to drive home the object ball until 909 was in due course left behind. The game was now watched with almost breathless interest, every stroke and the position left being keenly scrutinized. The spot player kept the balls remarkably well under control, however, and left himself very few difficult shots. Without a pause he drew on towards game until, at 945 to 840, he had a lead of three figures. His break was now nearly ended, however, as he missed a rather difficult shot and let his rival have another chance, the game having reached—Mitchell 951, Cook 843. This addition of the receiver of points amounted up to 175 (two and fifty-four spots). The scratch player then made another bid for success, as aided by four spots and some all-round strokes he was opposite the red at 885, when he also entered his final hundred. He broke down at 930, however, at a rather easy shot, his addition being 87 (fifteen, five and eight spots). Game—Mitchell 954, Cook 930. The former only put together 5, and was unfortunately enough to leave the red over the jaws of the top pocket, off which Cook was again in line at 933. He then again resumed the command, and thence he ran out, after one of the finest games ever recorded, the winner by 41 points, amidst the most intense excitement, the game having lasted, exclusive of the interval, 2 hours 25 min.—*London Sportsman*

Wm. Butleigh has assumed charge of the Commercial billiard rooms, Ottawa.

Advertiser, Petrolia, Ont.

"Town and Country" is the name of a new weekly paper, devoted to sports, recreations and live stock matters, lately started in Toronto. It is a very neat little sheet of sixteen pages, well got up, lowly, spicy, and ably edited. It has some excellent articles on the turf, kennel, stable, sports, etc., and is well worth ten cents a copy, but is sold for 5 cents a number, or \$2.50 per year. Send for it.

OUR RECEPTION.

Manchester, Eng., Sporting Chronicle.

"Town and Country" is the title of a new weekly paper devoted to sports, recreations, and live stock matters, the first number of which has just reached us. The paper, which is published at Toronto, Ont., is edited by Mr. James Watson, late of the *Manchester Sporting Chronicle*, to whose fitness for the task he has undertaken we are happy to bear cordial testimony. The paper is neatly got up, well printed, and is altogether a very creditable specimen of colonial journalism.

Detroit Post and Tribune.

"Town and Country" is a new weekly established in Toronto, and devoted to sports, recreation and live stock matters. The second number, just at hand, is a capital one, replete with fresh and valuable sporting news, written in crisp, vigorous style, and admirably classified. The editor, Mr. James Watson, is just the man to build up a sporting paper, which should command large circulation and influence through Canada. He is an Englishman by birth, and has been connected with the *Spirit of the Times*, *London Field*, *London Referee*, and *Manchester Sporting Chronicle*. No man on either side of the Atlantic is more familiar with sporting topics, or better qualified to discuss them intelligently. Canada needs such a paper as "Town and Country," and should give it hearty support.

Peterborough Times.

"Town and Country," a paper recently started in Toronto by Mr. James Watson, is before us. It is a neatly got up, and well printed sheet, devoted to stock breeding, agricultural, and general sporting news, and is deserving of the support of all those engaged in or taking an interest in any of the above pursuits.

Aylmer, Ont., Gazette.

"Town and Country" is the name of a new paper devoted to sports, &c., recently established in Toronto. It is a neat sixteen page journal, full of excellent articles on the turf, the kennel, the stable, out door games, &c. We wish it every success.

Printer's Miscellany, St. John, N.B.

"Town and Country" is the name of a 16 page paper, published at Toronto. It is edited by Mr. James Watson, and is devoted to aquatic and field sports, recreations, and the dissemination of news pertaining to live stock.

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Brockville Recorder.

We advise all who take an interest in sporting matters to subscribe for "Town and Country." The new journal is a credit to Toronto, where it is published.

Kingston Daily News.

"Town and Country" is a new sporting paper recently started in Toronto. It appears to have at its head a gentleman well acquainted with sporting matters, who promises to conduct it in a gentlemanly manner.

Base Ball.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME.

THE HARRISTON BROWNS CHICAGOED.

The first game of base ball for the Amateur Championship of Canada was played at Guelph on the 14th June, between the Maple Leafs of that city, and the Browns of Harriston. The weather was all that could be desired, no hot blazing sun to pour down on the players as is generally the case. This, together with the fact that a great deal of interest had been taken in ball playing since the Amateur Association was formed, and that Harriston had a strong team and would make a desperate struggle to retain the championship, accounted for the large number of spectators. Before play was started the Secretary of the Maple Leafs entered a protest with the President of the Association against the Browns competing for the Championship on the ground that there were paid players in the name.

The game opened at 3 o'clock with the Leafs at the bat, and Mr. Jeffers, of the Toronto Clippers, in the umpire's position.

In the first two innings neither side scored a run, but on the third inning Guelph scored one. No runs were made then till the fifth, when Guelph added one, and put on another in the sixth inning; Harriston, in the meantime, failing to score. In the ninth Guelph scored one more, making a total of 4 runs, while Harriston failed to score throughout. The contest was a close one, and the game was marked by sharp and steady play, the pitching and catching being exceptionally good. The Browns made two or three good hits but some bad errors which cost them dearly.

This was one of the finest games of ball ever played in Guelph, and it is pleasant to state that not a murmur was heard from either club. The Maple Leafs are now the Champions of Canada and holders of the new pennant.

The following is the score:

MAPLE LEAFS.					BROWNS.					
R.	IB.	P.O.	A.	E.	R.	IB.	P.O.	A.	E.	
Hunter, c...	0	3	18	1	1	Stapleton, lf...	0	1	1	1
Beloker, rf...	0	0	0	1	0	Lavin, ss...	0	1	1	0
Smith, lf...	1	0	0	1	0	Thompson, c...	2	9	3	5
Tyson, of...	0	0	0	1	0	H Paulin, lb...	0	10	0	3
Hewer, ss...	0	0	0	1	1	Emslie, p...	0	1	12	2
Maddock, 2b...	2	1	2	0	0	A Paulin, 2b...	0	0	4	1
Watkins, 3b...	0	3	0	1	0	Robertson, rf...	2	0	1	0
Atkinson, lb...	2	1	4	0	0	Wilcock, 3b...	0	2	2	2
Dyson, p...	1	2	0	15	5	Johnson, cf...	0	1	0	0
	1	9	27	21	9		9	6	27	20
Maple Leafs				0	0	1	0	1	1	0
Browns				0	0	0	0	0	0	0

LOYALIST V. ST. JOHN—Quite an exciting game was played on the barrack square, St. John, N. B., recently, between these clubs, which resulted in the first defeat for the St. Johns. The playing was remarkably good. The Loyalists went to the bat first, S. Woods acting as umpire. The score follows:

LOYALIST.					ST. JOHN.				
R.	P.O.	A.	E.		R.	P.O.	A.	E.	
Purdy, p...	2	4	4	0	Masters, 2b...	3	2	2	2
Hennessy, c...	2	1	1	2	Thompson, 3b...	3	3	1	0
Fleming, 2b...	1	4	2	2	Tole, p...	2	3	0	0
Whittaker, lb...	1	1	3	3	Snider, ss...	0	4	2	3
Sealey, cf...	2	3	2	0	McNamee, lf...	0	1	2	3
Burbon, ss...	2	1	3	1	Barber, rf...	1	1	1	2
Fales, 3b...	2	2	2	2	Doherty, lb...	1	2	2	0
Skinner, rf...	0	4	1	3	Flood, cf...	1	1	4	5
Olivo, lf...	1	1	4	3	Turner, c...	3	2	2	2
	16	27	24	15		15	27	20	17

DIAMOND SPARKS.

Geer did not join the Cincinnati as expected.

Honck, of the Bostons, has signed to play with Providence.

In the League games Jones, of the Bostons, has the lead at the bat.

The Mutuals, of Galt, and the Actives, of Woodstock, play at Woodstock on Dominion Day.

Mitchell, the well-known left-hand pitcher, has signed with the new Rochester team.

R. F. Parry, formerly in the old New York club and a veteran ball player, is dead.

Pulmer, late captain of the Albanys, has resigned, and Tobin has been substituted.

Nicholls, ex pitcher of the Worcesters, is tending bar in Worcester.

Guelph High School defeated the Agricultural College nine by a score of 18 to 16.

Honck has been released by Boston and Dignon, late of the Nationals of Washington, takes his place.

Leary, of the Bay City Club, San Francisco, is suspended for one year for his second indisposition.

The Alliance, of Stratford, defeated the Mutuals, of St. Mary's, for the championship of Perth by a score of 17 to 6.

The Tecumsehs defeated the Wellingtons for the junior championship of Toronto on Saturday by a score of 6 to 3.

The Atlantics and Victorias, both Ottawa clubs, played a game there on Saturday, resulting in a victory for the Victorias. Score, 18 to 6.

The death of Abrams leaves only three of the original Haymakers above the sod, viz.: Steve King, Craver, and Penfield.

McCormick, pitcher of the Albanys, has left that club, and Lawkes, an amateur, has been engaged to fill his place.

Clippers of Toronto have challenged Maple Leaf of Guelph for championship, to play at Guelph on July 1.

The only Nolan and his catcher, Kelly, and Andy Piercy are about to unite their fortunes with McVey's Bay City Club, of San Francisco.

Richmond, the celebrated pitcher of the Worcesters will be a member of Harvard Medical School next season.

It is said Say, short stop of the Albanys, has had an offer from Providence and has been playing poorly to get his release.

The Maple Leafs of Guelph, and the Mutuals played a game of base ball in Galt last week, which resulted in favor of the visitors. Score, 7 to 6.

Base ball is coming to light again in Kingston, as the Kingston B. B. C. have challenged the Unions of the same place to play a match there on Dominion Day.

The match played at Ingersoll on June 11 between the Woodstock and Ingersoll High School clubs, resulted in favor of the latter by 11 to 2.

President Evans, of the Clevelands, came near being a passenger on the ill-fated Narragansett, but by a purely accidental circumstance left New York that night by rail, although intending to go by steamer.

The Clippers are practising on the Cricket Ground and have one of the finest amateur teams in Canada.

They hope before long to give a good account of themselves, and are now negotiating for matches. The Clipper club is a member of the Association and will play for the champion pennant.

Reilly, the 1st baseman of the Cincinnati, who was on the Narragansett and supposed to have been lost is all right. He was on board the ill-fated steamer at the time of the accident, but jumped into the water, was picked up two hours after and taken to New York not much the worse.

The Standards of Hamilton, and the Nailseeders of Buffalo, played a game on Dundurn Grounds last week, which resulted in a victory of the Standards. Score, 19 to 7. Why don't the Standards join the Association and help to promote the game in Canada?

As Richmond, the pitcher of the Worcesters, is compelled to attend the graduating class at Brown University on the day that the Worcesters play Chicago at Worcester, and as he will not be able to get through in time to catch the regular train, 11:30 a. m., Manager Bancroft has chartered a special engine which will leave Providence at 2 p. m., and get Richmond to Worcester, a forty-five miles run, in time to face the big hitters.

The most wonderful game of base ball on record was that played between the Clevelands and Worcesters last week. The Worcesters played without an error; retired their opponents in one, two, three order, not a man reaching first base or even making a base hit. Only two balls were driven to the outfielders, one caught on the fly, and the other a ground hit fielded from right field into first base, cutting the runner off. Only twenty-seven of Cleveland went to bat in nine innings. The Worcesters secured their only run in the fifth inning on an error of Dunlap, who was credited with the only two errors made in the game, which was played in one hour and twenty-six minutes.

Chess.

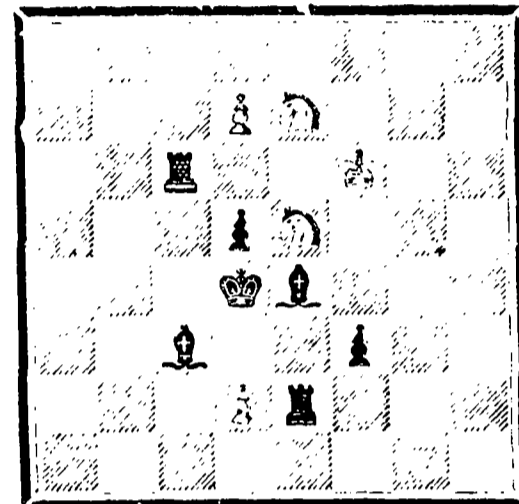
The Editor of this column will be glad to receive contributions of games and problems by Canadian players, and any other items of chess interest.

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Problem No. 6.

By E. B. Cook, Hoboken, N. J.
From AMERICAN CHESS JOURNAL.

BLACK.



WHITE.

White to play and mate in two moves.

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM No. 1.

1—Kt to Q B 6. 2—Kt or R mates.

ZUKERTORT-ROSENTHAL.

The score of this match now stands: Zukertort, 4; Rosenthal, 1; Drawn, 8.

The proposed match between Captain Mackenzie and Mr. Max Judd has been postponed for the summer.

Great preparations are being made in Syracuse N. Y., for the coming meeting of the Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania Chess Association, which is to convene in that city on the 21st of June for a six days' session. Several noted players have been invited, and Captain Mackenzie will be present during the latter part of the meeting.

Another London correspondent says of the late Mr. Howard Staunton: "As a clubbist he was excellent in nearly every respect. He never tramped about the room, nor unduly raised his voice; never sat by the side of any member to whom he knew his presence would not be welcome. He was a perfect looker on; never interfered in a game during its progress; never flaunted his superior knowledge before the public, nor touted for the suffrages of the gallery; never unfolded a banner with a list of his victories emblazoned upon it, and, had he been in committee what he was in the general club room, no more delightful companion could anywhere have been found. This opinion of him I have formed upon personal observation of his conduct, and from close study, throughout many years, of his character. Ambitious pettifoggers traduced him while he was alive, and have sought to blacken his memory since his death, but he will ever be remembered as the greatest chess-player for years of his day, and the most vigorous and entertaining of chess writers. During the period I knew him he seldom—indeed, as well as I remember, only once—played without giving odds; and no matter what was the result of the game, he never excited nor complained. His defeat by Anderssen in 1851 is not to be wondered at, nor should it be accepted as conclusive proof of his inferiority to that great master. He was at that time in bad health and unequal form."

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Town and Country.

TORONTO, ONT., JUNE 23, 1880.

HANLAN'S DEFEAT.

At one time it was considered requisite that a person entrusted with the duty of giving an editorial opinion should be conversant with the subject entrusted to his criticism. Now-a-days, however, and since ordinary newspapers have taken up sporting matters, the only credential required, judging from the effusions which sometimes appear in our contemporaries, is ability to hold a pen. A case more in point could not be produced than the editorial which appeared in the Toronto Globe of Monday last under the heading of "boat racing," which was a direct and personal attack on a man who, instead of having covert abuse and low insinuations cast at him, should have been tendered a far different reception. The article is a direct charge against Hanlan of having sold the race at Providence if it means anything at all, and while it may carry weight with people not conversant with sporting matters, it only creates a feeling of pity for the man who had a duty imposed upon him for which he had not the slightest capacity. That the writer did not know the first thing about "boat racing" is evidenced by his opening assumption that because Hanlan rowed four miles in 25:14 at Chataqua and Ross took 20:54 at Providence, Hanlan should have won by about half a mile. Now it is a well-known fact that in no

branch of sport is the time test so fallacious as in rowing, for the reason that the condition of the water is the unknown quantity which steps in to upset the nicest of calculations by the watch. Another thing is, that in rowing over the course alone, as Hanlan did at Chataqua, the oarsman suits his own capacity and rows the whole distance at a speed to carry him through instead of going off at a "sprinting" pace against an opponent adopting the same tactics. The man credited with the fastest time on record over the English Championship Course on the Thames is a third-rate oarsman who would be lost by such men as Boyd, Elliott and Higgins. It will also be news to the Globe man to know that a very prominent backer of Trickett was present at Providence, indeed we doubt not but that a little demonstration as to the difference between an oar and a shell would be of use to the critic.

We are just as desirous as anyone to expose fraud, but we put our foot down very flatly in this case, and assert that there is not the slightest indication that there was anything underhanded in the Providence race. That a man does not sell a race except for present or prospective gain will be accepted as a truism by all. Now we have taken some pains to investigate the surroundings of this race, and the "present gain" theory falls to the ground completely when we find that there were not more than \$200 invested on Hanlan in the pools. Such a favorite was he that he was barred, and the pool-selling was done on the others for second place. We are, moreover, in a position to assert that not one of Hanlan's immediate supporters, nor, indeed, anyone from Toronto that we know of, invested a single dollar for or against him because of the rate of odds demanded by the fielders.

With regard to prospective gains it is only necessary to ask what could Hanlan add to his reputation by once more defeating men he had previously played with in match races. Boyd we do not take into account, as he was neither in condition nor rigged so as to show his powers. Men who wager on racing events, whether it be turf, pedestrianism, or rowing, gauge the merits of a candidate by his best performance, and Hanlan will be recognized in England, when he meets Trickett, as the man who made such an example of Hawdon and Elliott, and not as the sick man of the Hop Bitters muddle. If Hanlan had desired to make a bid for a depreciation of his powers his course would have been to make a show of being defeated on his merits, and finishing somewhere near the front without any excuse for not winning beyond that of meeting better men. As it is, the late race will be entirely discarded in forming an estimate of his abilities.

There is one more point we will briefly call attention to, and it is this, that even supposing that Hanlan had been induced to lose the race for a pecuniary consideration which it is fair to presume would have been equivalent to the first prize of \$3,000, there was yet the second money, \$1,500, at his mercy, and as he was rowing for money it is preposterous to suppose that he would so foolishly have overlooked this inducement to row the race out. Of the many ridiculous rumors which have been current amongst the wisecracks (after the race) it is unnecessary to speak, as they bear on their face the imprint of falsehood, and only demand common sense on the part of the listener for their complete refutation.

The Directors of the Industrial Exhibition held a special meeting last evening and decided to give \$400 in premiums at the dog show to be held in connection with the exhibition in September next. Dog men must now do their share and make a sufficient number of entries to induce the Directors to make a larger grant next year.

DISQUALIFIED AMATEURS.

It is more than probable that during the present year we will hear a good deal respecting disqualified competitors at athletic sports, and no better time is likely to occur than now to call attention to what promises to be the new departure in Amateur sports. Up to within a month ago the only Association sailing under the strict amateur flag was at Montreal and we believe its ruling was confined to Athletic Sports. This year, however, we have the establishment of a Canadian Amateur Rowing Association with the strict law in force, and now the National Lacrosse Association wheels into line, and by its action commands for the new departure the success it might otherwise have had to fight for.

The object of these Associations in adopting this definition is to keep amateur sport clear of all taint of professionalism, and the widening of the gap between those who make a business of or money out of athletics in any one of its branches. The most difficult section to overcome will be the Caledonian Societies, who, with the acute sensitiveness of Scotchmen [we are from north of the Tweed] may be inclined to take umbrage at any other societies seemingly dictating to them as to the method they must adopt in the giving of prizes at their annual games. We know such was the case in New York when the New York Athletic Club, single-handed, decided against the admission of Caledonian men who had competed for money. The younger members of the Scotch societies saw the position this would place them in, and finding that their own clubs would not amend their prize lists, founded Athletic Clubs of their own and withdrew from competition for the Caledonian money prizes. Such a course is by no means a necessity if the Caledonian Societies and all clubs or societies that give prizes for athletics would but give prizes instead of money. It is a very simple alteration to make, and now that these annual festivals and gatherings are about to commence, it is most essential that the change in favor of prize *versus* cash should be made at once so that a young athlete's prospects may not be blighted through ignorance of the law.

It cannot be too distinctly stated that if any person hereafter competes for a money prize he cannot play as an amateur at lacrosse, run at an amateur athletic meeting nor row at an amateur regatta, and it is the bounden duty of every society to respect the amateur law as it now stands, and help along the good work.

WOODSTOCK RACES.

From our own Correspondent.

Woodstock, June 18, 1880.

It would have bothered any one except a professional to know from the appearance of this beautiful town this morning, that it was the inaugural day of the Western circuit of races. Many of the old-timers were present, but there was an evident lack of appreciation by the citizens. The visitors made their headquarters at Mr. Forbes' hotel, and it is needless to state he catered successfully for the enjoyment of his guests. The track is situated about three-quarters of a mile from the town, and there about 2 p.m. your correspondent wended his way. The day was excessively hot, the roads and track dusty, but the crowd was chilling in a numerical sense. At 3.00 p.m. the horses were called up for the first heat in the three-minute trot, but it was some time before they were got together, when five showed up. The judges were, Messrs. Sutherland, Nesbit, and O'Neil, of Woodstock; the timing department being entrusted to Mr. P. Collins, of TOWN AND COUNTRY. Of the five nominations, Bay Fearnought, a fine looking bay stallion, was the favorite in the pools—pools, we say, at the rate of Fearnought \$10, field \$6, but little business was done. The race deserves no description, but for the outrageous conduct of the owner and driver of the favorite, for he was palpably pulled in the first and second heats as his owner declared for the purpose of saving a record. Before the third heat was called, arrangements had been made for Mr. Pete Currau "the noblest Roman of them all" to take the seat behind the stallion. It was understood that some of those who were interested in Fearnought had been placing their money the other way,

To the change of drivers both Mr. Shain, the owner, and Mr. Daley, the driver of the stallion strongly objected. The judges were imperative, and insisted upon their ruling being carried out, when the owner, in the most unsportsmanlike manner, ordered the groom to take the horse from the track. The judges, however, checkmated the contemplated fraud, by declaring all the pools and bets on the race off. This action, although not to be commended in the occasion of any trifling "kick," was fully justified in this case, when it was known that with a bad leg Fearnought had trotted a quarter at Rochester a short time ago in 35 sec. The manager of the Hamilton Association declared to your correspondent that if Mr. Shain nominated the horse for his meeting, that he would decline it with all the contempt that it deserved. Brantford will probably follow this declaration, and all the other Canadian Associations would do well to govern themselves by the actions of Fearnought's owner to-day.

THE RACE—In the first heat Edward B. had the pole and got off well, all the rest well settled except Fearnought, who was very rank. Ed. B. led to the quarter, with Little Dan second; passing the quarter the leader broke, and the stallion moved up to second place, the little 'un retiring a notch. These positions were maintained till the finish, Fearnought being handled very suspiciously down the stretch. The usual protesting business in the 3:00 class was indulged in, including Ed. B. and Fearnought. Time, 2:40. Before the second heat Fearnought's friends stuck to him and played the box at \$10 to \$8 on the field. Ed. B. got off with the lead, but at the quarter Fearnought came to him; going down the hill the Windsorite had the best of it and at the half was leading. Coming up the steep grade the stallion gained rapidly, and was on even terms, swinging into the stretch. Here a race was looked for, but the driver of Fearnought was too strong in the arms, and Ed. B. slipped in in 2:45. The proceedings before the third heat are recounted above. The stallion was drawn, leaving the race a certainty for Ed. B. With the worst of the start, he nailed the rest before the half was reached, and finished an easy winner in the slow time of 2:48.

Between the heats of the trot the running race was sandwiched. Originally it had four entries, but on account of the refusal of the nominator of Billy Murrain to pay the entrance fee the field was reduced to three. Queen Bess was picked out in the pools as the winner, the field selling at \$10, her majesty commanding \$6. In the first heat Sam Weller was never headed, and slipped under the wire in 1:52. The second heat was almost a repetition of the first, and "Samuel" was again to the front, winner of the heat and race in 1:52. Summaries:—

Woodsrock, Ont., June 18, 1880—\$135. Trotting. 3:00 class. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$75, 30, 20, 10.
 B Maisenville's, Windsor, br g Edward B 1 1 1
 N B Morrison's b g Little Dan 3 3 2
 H W Clarke's, Brantford, g g Carleton 4 4 3
 F F Wanmaker's, Picton, b m Flora F 5 5 4
 Hiram Shain's b h Fearnought 2 2 dr

Time—2:40, 2:45, 2:48.
 Pools and bets declared off on account of the fraudulent action of the owner of Fearnought drawing his horse before the third heat.

Same Day—\$120. Running. Open to all. Foreign breds 12 lbs extra, including Lady D'Arcy. Mile heats. T C W. \$100, 20.
 John Bowen's b g Sam Weller, aged, by the Tester, dam unknown, 101 lbs Bowen 1 1
 R Barr's b g Rouble, jr, 4 yrs, by Rouble, dam by Luther, 91 lbs Jameson 2 2
 Geo Watson's, London, b m Queen Bess, aged, by King Tom, dam by Peter Pinder, 101 lbs Model 3 3
 W Williams', Sarnia, b g Billy Murrain (for. Bob Clark) aged, by Phaeton, dam unknown, 113 lbs dr
Betting—Field \$10, Queen Bess \$6. After first heat, Sam Weller \$10, field 12. Won easily. Time—1:52, 1:52.

Same Day—\$135. Trotting. 2:36 class. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$75, 30, 20, 10.
 (Declared off for want of entries).

SECOND DAY—The attendance was much better on Saturday, but not at all up to the merits of the management. The weather continued very warm. With the exception of the free-for-all, the trotting requires no particular mention further than the summaries afford. The running race was declared off—lack of entries. The details are given below.—

June 19.—\$100. Trotting. For county horses that never won money. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$50, 25, 15, 10.
 H W Clark's br h Ed Burns 1 1 1
 James Rapson's b g Bay Billy 2 3 3
 R C Moody's ch g Jim O'Rourke 3 2 4

J D McKay's ch m Bella 4 0 2
 G W Lang's br h Idol King 5 0 dis
 Neil Swart's b m Nell dr
 N B Morrison's b g Little Dan dr

Betting—Nell even up against the field. The favorite was protested and did not start, after which nothing was done in the pool box. Time—3:06, 3:05, 3:01.

Same Day—\$90. Pacing. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$50, 25, 15.

J Fasson's, Hamilton, br g Dan 1 1 1
 A G McCarr's, ch m Musette 2 2 2
 B Maisenville's, Windsor, br g Gypsey Joo dis

Betting—None. Won easily. Time—2:51, 2:48, 2:45.

The open trot had a good field, and turned out to be quite a surprise to all. Hazor before the start was thought the most of, and after the first heat was selling a strong favorite over the field. The first heat was a race between Hazor and the old white gelding Crown Prince, who has been recently named Frank C. Hazor got away with the lead, followed by Crown Prince, and this order was kept up through the whirl the white fellow a good second, Little Billy third, the others as per summary. Considerable delay was caused in the start by the stubbornness of Happy Abbot, and Pete Curran was finally put up behind him, which proved to be an effective change. The heat was trotted in 2:32, which was a terrible clip considering the track, and is said to be the fastest ever made at Woodstock. The second heat up to the half looked as if it would be a repetition of the first. Swinging into the stretch Little Billy was fully six or seven lengths behind the leader; Hodgins, however, called on him, and foot by foot he overhauled the grey. Clark plied all his art, but the little stallion would not be shaken off. About the distance flag he had got on even terms; Clark shook Hazor up and gained a momentary lead, but Billy stuck to him and finished half a length a winner at the wire amid great excitement, in 2:33, the last quarter of which must have been trotted at nearly a 20 clip. This must be considered a great performance for Billy, as he had been taken directly out of the stud, and may be said to have been devoid of any preparation whatever. The third and fourth heats fell an easy prey to Billy, Hazor dropping back. Abbot was distanced in the third, having taken one of his sulky fits on the track and came to a standstill. The record is as follows:—

Same Day—\$175. Trotting. Free-for-all. Mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. \$90, 40, 30, 15.

Isaac Hodgins', Burford, b h Little Billy 3 1 1 1
 J Gentile's, Kincoardine, g g Hazor 1 2 3 3
 B Maisenville's, Windsor, b g Billy Woodruff 5 5 2 2

F Mackintosh's, Chatham, wh g Crown Prince 2 4 4 4
 F Wanmaker's, Picton, ch g Happy Abbot 4 3 dis
 B Olmstead's, Ancaster, b g Ancaster Boy dr

Betting—Before first heat, Hazor \$10, Crown Prince 6, field 4. Second heat, Hazor 10, field 8. Third heat, Little Billy 10, field 6. Time, 2:32, 2:33, 2:37, 2:40.

Same Day—\$120. Running. Dash of 1/4 mile. T C W.

(Did not fill.)

As a conclusion, your correspondent desires to recognize the many courtesies he received from the managers of the meeting. P.

American.

RACING AT CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, June 19, 1880.

From our own Correspondent.

The summer meeting of the Chicago Jockey Club opened under very auspicious circumstances. Fine weather, together with good racing, made the event enjoyable, and drew out a large crowd. All the favorites but one were beaten, and there was but one accident—that of Coleman on Capt. Franklin in the hurdle race, who we are happy to say was not very seriously hurt. The track was in fine condition, and the starter, Col. Johnson, must be commended for the very efficient manner in which he performed his duties. Below will be found the summary of the races:—

First Race—"Inaugural Rush."—Purse \$300, for all ages; 50 to second; 1 1/2 miles.

Geo W Bowen & Co's One Dime, 4 yrs, 110 lbs Murphy 1

J H & T W Sumner's Renown, 4 yrs, 110 lbs Brown 2

Wiley Buckles' Headlight, 4 yrs, 110 lbs. T Kiley 3
 Beatitude, Florence Payne, Leatunah, Jim Malone, Bancroft, Macedonius, Listora and Long Taw also started.

Betting—2 to 1 on Long Taw, 1 to 1 agst Que Dime, 6 to 1 agst Renown, 8 to 1 agst Beatitude, and 12 to 1 agst Headlight; won by a short head; two lengths between second and third. Time, 2:09.

Second Race—The Ladies' Stakes—For two-year-old fillies; \$50 entrance, \$25 forfeit, with \$600 added. 100 of which to second, 50 to third, three-quarters of a mile.

J W Hunt Reynolds' Dolette Smith 1
 McIntyre & Irving's Lizzie S Stoval 2
 H P McGrath's Lucy Walker Brown 3

Oak Grove Rose, Babe, Waif, and Tom Bowling filly also started.

Betting—2 to 1 on Lizzie S, 1 to 1 each agst Lucy Walker, Babe and Tom Bowling filly, 5 to 1 agst Waif, 6 to 1 agst Dolette.

At the first attempt Babe and Oak Grove Rose went clear around the course, neither jockey knowing it was a false start till the distance in. When all together again they were got off to an even start, with Dolette in front, Lizzie S third. At the distance Lizzie S looked all over a winner, but her jockey not coming through enough was beaten by a head, a length between second and third. Time, 1:17.

Third Race—The Haverly Theatre Stakes, for three-year-olds that did not win prior to Jan. 1, 1880; \$25 entrance, play or pay, with \$700 added; 200 to second, 50 to third; mile heats.

R H Owens' Kinkead Smith 1 3 1
 M Young's Longtime Douglas 9 1 2
 J B Malone's Duke of Kent Kelso 3 2 3

Big Medicine, Gen. Rowett, Big Henry, Virgil Lear, Chris Doyle, Brooklyn, J H Haverly, and Boulevard also started.

Betting before first heat—2 to 1 agst Longtime, 3 to 1 agst Kinkead, 5 to 1 agst Boulevard, 6 to 1 agst Duke of Kent, 8 to 1 each agst Chris Doyle and Brooklyn, 10 to 1 each agst Big Medicine, Big Henry, Virgil Lear and J H Haverly, 15 to 1 agst Gen. Rowett.

1st Heat—Duke of Kent took the lead and held it to the distance, where he was passed by Kinkead and Big Henry, the former winning by half a length. Time, 1:44.

2nd Heat—Betting, 5 to 2 on Kinkead, 3 to 1 each agst Boulevard and Big Henry, 5 to 1 Longtime, and 8 to 1 Duke of Kent. Longtime got off first and was never headed, winning by a short head from Duke of Kent. Kinkead came with a rush and secured third place. Time, 1:46.

3rd Heat—Betting, 2 to 1 on Kinkead, who took the lead from the start and won, hands down. Longtime took second money, and Duke of Kent third. Time, 1:47.

Hurdle purse; \$300; 50 to second, 25 to third; welter weights. Two miles, over eight hurdles.

G B Morris' Frank Short, 4 yrs McGrath 1
 John Grayer's Cannon, 5 yrs Payne 2
 M Welch's Capt Franklin, aged Coleman 3

Betting—4 to 1 on Frank Short, 3 to 1 agst Cannon, and 4 to 1 Capt. Franklin.

A very bad start, Frank Short being several lengths in front, which he held throughout, winning in a canter by a length. At the 4th hurdle Capt. Franklin fell and threw his jockey, who was nearly stepped on by Cannon. An outsider mounted Capt. Franklin, and being full weight, the horse received third money. C. J. W.

BRIGHTON BEACH RACES.

First day, June 16—Purse \$250. \$50 to second; three-quarters of a mile.

Babcock & Co's ch g Pawnee, 4 yrs, by Leamington, dam Maiden, 105 lbs Shauer 1
 A Burnham's b f Marchioness, 4 yrs, 105 lbs J McLaughlin 2

W Mulkey's b f Belle of the West, 3 yrs 87 lbs Nicholas 3

N Y Weekly, Boardman, Speculation, Governor Sheffin and Statesman also started.

Pools—Marchioness, \$50; N Y Weekly, 15; Belle of the West, 14; Boardman, 13; Pawnee, 12, field, \$22. Won by a neck, a length between second and third. Time, 1:19.

Purse \$300; selling allowances; mile and a quarter.

W C Daly's b h Virgilian, 6 yrs, by Virgil, dam La Henderson, \$500, 111 lbs J McLaughlin 1
 J Newman's b h Shylock, age 3, \$300, 108 lbs McKee 2

W McMahon's ch g Skylark, 4 yrs, \$750, 100 lbs McCarthy 3

Albert, Basil and Dora Doon also started.

Pools—Virgilian, \$50; Basil, \$37; Skylark, 36; Albert, 31; field, 15. Won by a length, a neck between second and third. Time, 2:17.

Purse \$250, for maiden three year olds; \$50 to second; one mile.

E J McElmeel's ch g Go Forth, by King Alfonso, dam Sallie Morgau, 107 lbs McLaughlin 1
 D O'Connell's b g, by The Ill Used, dam Woodbine, 107 lbs Greenwebb 2

C Chase's blk f, by Harry Bassett, dam Minnie, 107 lbs McCarthy 3

Pools—Ill Used g, \$50; Go Forth, 42, Harry Bassett f 18. Won by two lengths, three between second and third. Time, 1:52.

Purse \$400; steeplechase; \$100 to second; the full course.

Cattanach & Son's b m Bertha, 5 yrs, by (Honeig, dam Stamps, 151 lbs Nolan	1
G W Morrison's b c Casekeeper, late Sidney, 4 yrs, 148 lbs Kouney	2
M Daly's ch f Fiddlestring, 4 yrs, 145 lbs Fitzpatrick	3

Bay Rum, Gallagher and Raleigh also started.

Pools—Bertha, \$65; Bay Rum, 45; Gallagher, 27; Fiddlestring, 25; field, 16. Won by two lengths, six lengths between second and third. Time, 5:26.

Second day, June 17.—Purse \$200 for two-year olds, \$50 to second; half a mile.

A Burnham's ch f Bride Cake, by Bonnie Scotland— Mosselle, 97 lbs F McLaughlin	1
Ackerman & Co's b f Clara A, 97 lbs Shauer	2
C Chase's ch c King Nero, 100 lbs McCarthy	3

Oal Wagner and Bernadine also started.

Pools—Burnham's pair, \$40; Chase's pair, 12; Clara A, 11. Won by a length, six lengths between second and third. Time, 0:51½.

Purse \$250; \$50 to second; certain allowances; three quarters of a mile.

A Burnham's b f Marchioness, 4 yrs, by Monarchist— Heliotrope, 98 lbs F McLaughlin	1
M Murphy's b g Statesman, 4 yrs, 98 lbs Quantrel	2
J N Ackerman's b c Prosper, 4 yrs, 105 lbs Shauer	3

Charley Gorham, Governor Shevlin, Suannanoe, Brighton, Werter, Vigor, Lillian, Ingomar, Dora Doon, Miss Malloy, and Hawk also started.

Pools—Charley Gorham, \$150; Suannanoe, 30; Werter and Marchioness, 20 each; field, 50. Won by a length, a length between second and third. Time, 1:17½.

Purse \$300, \$50 to second; maiden allowances; mile and a quarter.

W Mulkey's blk h Virginus, aged, by Virgil—Lute, 118 lbs Shauer	1
P H Duff's br f Baby, 4 yrs, 105 lbs Quantrel	2
W McMahon's ch g Skylark, 4 yrs, 105 lbs McCarthy	3

Bowstring also started.

Pools—Virginus, \$100; Baby, 25; field, 30. Won by half a length, six lengths between second and third. Time, 2:18.

Dwyer Bros' b g Watfield, 5 yrs, by War Dance— Florac, \$1,000, 106 lbs J McLaughlin	1
E H Howatt's b g Boardman, 4 yrs, \$500, 95 lbs, carried 98 lbs Quantrel	2
J J Bevin's ch m Hattie F, aged, \$500, 105 lbs Evans	3

Glengariffe, Ike Bonham, Speculation, Shylock, and Surge also started.

Pools—Watfield, \$120; Hattie F, 120; Surge, 30; field, 70. Won by six lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1:58.

Purse \$350, hurdle race; \$75 to second; mile and a half, over six hurdles.

J Martin's ch h Gallagher, aged, by Blarneystone— Lily Ward, 168 lbs Ward	1
W A Engeman's ch h Ventilator, aged, 158 lbs Kevel	2
W A Engeman's b g Bathgate, 6 yrs, 155 lbs Townsen	3

Dandy, Judith, and Haven also started.

Pools—Judith, \$110; Raven, 15; Gallagher, 20; field, 20. Won by four lengths, two lengths between second and third. Time, 2:58.

THE DERRY OF 1880.

That trenchant writer "Pendragon" of the London *Referee* tells the story of the great English racing carnival as follows.—

"Although the horses were unconsciously late in making their appearance, and the canter was delayed for long after the course had been sufficiently well cleared for the usual parade, no serious loss of time has to be recorded, thanks to the persuasive power and ingenuity of M'George, the starter. Having passed through the paddocks after the shortest canter within recollection, the nineteen colts—not a filly among them—were formed in line at the bottom of hill, some distance below the starting-post. There was an utter absence of the fractiousness which usually brings some otherwise unimportant and generally unworthy youngster into notice, and Mr. M'George having formed his line and taken one last fond look at it, got the lot away to an admirable start at the first attempt, and almost as soon as the white advance flag had been hoisted. This addition

to the noticeable items of the day will of itself show how utterly worthless are statements as to the time taken by Bend Or, and how worse than worthless are the comparisons which these clock-sellers' advertisements lead to between the time of this year and the times taken by previous winners. Had the attempt at starting resulted in failure the horses would have straggled on about as far as the actual post, and then would have reformed between there and the distance whence they were actually dispatched, and so on and so on, getting closer and closer to the actual limit distance until at last they were got away. Judging from recollection, I should think the horses on Wednesday ran sixty or seventy yards further than is customary. They certainly ran that much more than was run last year, the year before, and the year before that. The pace was a cracker throughout, and as one or two previous Derby winners credited with faster times would not have been in the hunt with Bend Or, and as in turn Bend Or is made impossibly faster than other winner, the value of the watch as used independently of the exact length covered will be at once apparent—except, of course, to those who thrive out of the present foolish custom and obtain from it a series of valuable advertisements. Advertising is one thing and timing is another, and it is rather a pity that they should be mixed. I suppose were it not for the necessities of the *reclame* we should not be told that Bend Or was sixty or seventy yards and fourteen seconds faster than Sir Bevis, eight seconds and the same distance faster than Sefton, or hear of the many other extraordinary varieties in calibre which must have been existent if the clock or the clocker is in any way to be relied upon. I have not a very exalted opinion of Sir Bevis or of Sefton, as can be seen by anyone who cares to refer to what has been written in this paper about either; but I think it would be the easiest thing in the world to place Sir Bevis 1, Sefton 2, Bend Or 3, if they were handicapped according to what the usual puff paragraph makes them do in their various Derbies.

Returning to the long delayed race itself, it has to be noted that description is, for once, extremely easy. After the first quarter of a mile steep, Robert the Devil, who has already been well to the fore, took the lead, and with such slight alterations as were occasioned by other candidates taking an occasional feeder and dropping back either permanently or for the time being, he remained there until within two or three paces of home. Indeed, it seems as if by far too much use of him was made in the earlier portions of the race, and not enough when the crucial struggle came. Archer, after having a "liker" when the level beyond the City and Suburban post was reached, pulled Bend Or back into the front middle, and there remained until descending for Tattenham Corners, where he appeared to have some trouble with his charge, and, rounding into the straight, looked more likely to tail off than to get into position again. Robert ran wide at the turn, but lost no ground, and when fairly in the straight for home he appeared to have all his opponents beaten, and came on leading his field by a couple of clear lengths. Rossiter doubtless thought it was all over, and kept looking round in a jeering manner—possibly he was wondering what had become of the Bend Or's bowman. Presently he found this out without looking round, at all times a detestable practice. If there is any race which ought to be secured at every risk of exposure, it is, I should think, the Derby; and if Rossiter had but kept Robert the Devil hard at it approaching the stands, no rush of Fred Archer's could have brought Bend Or into front position. For a good furlong in the early part of the straight all that could be seen of Rossiter's head from the front ground was the top of his cap, his face being turned in the other direction. At the distance Archer began to work hard upon the favourite, who, to the surprise of those who had offered 10, 20, and then 50 to 1 on Robert, responded at once, and immediately

began to gain upon the leader, whose rider was evidently unaware until too late that the Russley horse was upon him like an avalanche. Archer's final effort was a superb piece of riding, but he has to thank first the carelessness of Rossiter, and second his nervousness and inability to help his horse when help was most needed, for the result. When Bend Or was let out there was still plenty of struggle left in Robert the Devil, but it was never extracted from him. Messrs Brewer & Co's horse had a two-length lead at the bell and between there and the finish, by dint of superior strength and determination, the champion jockey just managed to get up and win by a short head. Bend Or was much the more distressed of the pair, and had the opportunity of getting an extra length out of Robert half-way down the straight been seized, or had he been ridden more tenderly in the early part of the race, and more stubbornly towards home there is no doubt the Duke of Westminster and Peck would have been spared the congratulations showered upon them as soon as No. 7 was safely hoisted.

An old sporting adage says there is nothing like having the winner, no matter how or under what circumstances he wins; and Bend Or's success is undoubtedly a satisfaction to the worthy couple who have by his means for the first time secured a Derby. But the Westminster-Peck-Archer success is certainly not that intended by the projectors and originators of even weighted races in general and of the Derby in particular. It is a success of jockeyship, and not one of equine calibre. It is a success which is directly due to the ability of Archer, and not to the fitness of Peck or the generosity of the Duke of Westminster. A Derby victory is of course, more in the line of the richest duke in the kingdom—he who has already much is always the likeliest to get more—than of a professional bookmaker and a professional trainer; but I don't think there are many people who saw the race who will doubt that there was one horse in it who as a horse was better over the Derby course on the Derby day than the actual Derby winner. If ever the pair should meet again, both fit and well, at a similar distance, and with anything like equal ability up, I know which I shall stand for choice, after Wednesday's exhibition. I have laid some stress on this line of argument, as the issue was foretold (or feared) by the Robert the Devil confederacy after Mr. Gretton had claimed Cannon—and because, too, I can afford to give an opinion with regard to the merits of the rider of the second horse. Over and over again have I opposed the set generally made against the unfortunate jockey on No. 2 after a close finish; but it is only right so palpable an exhibition of inferiority as that of Rossiter should be exposed, more especially as everybody now seems inclined to glory in the success of the wonderfully astute Peck and the great beneficent Duke of Westminster, and to say nothing of the pair who really would have carried the palm but for the want of sufficiently experienced horsemen.

For the life of me I cannot understand what Mr. Brewer's boastfully published satisfaction with Rossiter's riding has to do with the matter on its merits. Rossiter threw the race away; and no subsequent statement of satisfaction or assumption of joviality by the part owner of Robert the Devil can alter what has once happened. Indeed the constant repetition of Mr. Brewer's satisfaction has to all logical minds an entirely opposite effect from that intended. So far from improving the jockey's position, it only makes the bookmaker's the more mysterious. It is impossible to understand a man being "perfectly satisfied" who has by a clumsy bungle lost the highest honours the turf can give and between forty and fifty thousand pounds besides. Mr. Brewer ought to contradict the story unless he wishes some hidden mystery to be evolved from what is constantly attendant on his satisfaction as shown in print. Which is that the result was entirely due to Rossiter obeying orders!

Lacrosse.

Secretaries of Clubs will please forward short concise reports of their Meetings and Games, as soon as possible after the events happen. Write on one side of the paper only. Address all correspondence or questions on this subject to the Lacrosse Editor, TOWN AND COUNTRY, Toronto, Ont.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO CLUBS BELONGING TO THE NATIONAL AMATEUR LACROSSE ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

At the late Convention of the National Association it was unanimously resolved,

"That TOWN AND COUNTRY be adopted as the official organ of the Association."

In pursuance of the above resolution, I shall in future publish all notices of business in connection with the Association in this paper, and will consider such publication to be the same as if each individual club had been notified by circular.

For this reason it will be necessary for every club in the Association to take at least one copy of TOWN AND COUNTRY in order to keep themselves posted upon any premeditated changes in the laws, appeals, decisions of council, or other business of the Association.

W. K. McNAUGHT,
Hon. Sec'y N. A. L. A. of C.

"THE OFFICIAL ORGAN."

We wish to direct the attention of Lacrosse Clubs to the official letter at the head of this column anent the appointment of TOWN AND COUNTRY as the official organ of the National Association. If every club in the Association (and out of it as well) can be induced to subscribe for a copy of the paper, the advantage to the game would be very marked. As things formerly stood, if a player had any ideas he thought would be beneficial to the game, he had no means of communicating them to the lacrosse public except through the local papers. This was all well enough for those who took them, but there was and is no one paper in Canada to day that is taken by lacrosse players generally. The result was that his opinions were almost entirely lost because of the want of a common medium for the interchange of ideas upon such topics. It was for this reason principally that certain of the delegates at the late Convention advocated the adoption of an official organ so inexpensive that all the clubs could afford to subscribe, and thus secure a medium that would be certain to reach the bulk of Lacrosse players throughout the country.

If the Lacrosse Clubs in Canada take the organ, a discussion upon any live subject would be certain to bring out the ideas of the best and most thoughtful lacrosse players, because, in sending a letter to such a paper they would feel certain of having their ideas laid before the lacrosse public in every place in Canada where the game was played. At present this end can only be accomplished by issuing a circular letter, a tedious and expensive process which no individual player, be he ever so interested in the game, ever attempts. While it is advisable that every Lacrosse Club in Canada should take the paper thus selected, it is imperative upon clubs in the Association to do so if they wish to keep themselves posted on the work that the Association has in hand. As was explained by the Hon. Sec'y at the last Convention, in future all official communications made by him to clubs will simply be published in TOWN AND COUNTRY and such publication will be considered the same as if each club had been notified by circular as has previously been the case. This, while equally good for the clubs, will save the Association a great deal of expense and the Secretary a considerable amount of labor. For the reasons stated above, and others into

which we have neither time nor space at present to enter, we trust that the official organ will receive a liberal support from every Lacrosse Club in the Dominion.

ACROSS THE BORDER.

We have just received from the Secretary of the American Association an account of their second convention, from which it will be seen that the game is flourishing in the United States, and has good prospects ahead. We are glad to know that the American Association has not only endorsed the action of our Association regarding professionalism, but has also adopted, entire, all the changes in the "Laws of the game" made at the late Convention. As we pointed out some time ago, the Canadian Association has a work to do in connection with Lacrosse which can be done by no other Association, because, at the present time, this country has the largest number of experienced lacrosse players who have made a study of the needs of the game. The action of the American Association is a high compliment to the reliability of our own, and shows the manner in which it is appreciated abroad. Their action in assimilating the laws is highly to be commended, and cannot fail to do good to the game by strengthening the bands of the Association and adding weight to its utterances.

THE AMERICAN CONVENTION.

The second annual convention of the United States National Amateur Lacrosse Association, was held at the Astor House, New York, on Saturday evening, June 12, and was attended by a large number of delegates representing the different American Lacrosse clubs. In the absence of the president, Mr. Hermann Oelrichs, who was detained at Washington by important business, the meeting was presided over by Mr. S. Macdonald, U.A.C., Boston, Vice-President. A very gratifying report of the game's progress was read by the Secretary, Mr. J. R. Flannery, which showed that it was taking firm root here and becoming more popular every year. It also showed that the playing strength of American clubs had been largely developed, and that before long it was very probable the championship of America instead of being in the hands of Canadian clubs would be a fixture in the United States. The feature of playing International matches had already been inaugurated by the Union Athletic Club of Boston, who visited Montreal last month, and although defeated there made a surprisingly good fight, considering that three of their strongest players were replaced on the team by substitutes. The Baltimore Athletic Club have also made arrangements to play the champions of America (the Shamrocks) in Montreal, on June 25, and will be followed a few weeks later by the Brooklyn Lacrosse Club. The Shamrocks will make a short American tour before the close of the season, playing in New York (probably Philadelphia) and Baltimore. The Toronto Lacrosse Club will also visit New York to play the Brooklyns on or about the 15th of July. The Secretary also stated that he had been corresponding with several other Canadian clubs with a view to bringing them on, but nothing definite had been fixed beyond what had been already mentioned. The new polo grounds would, it was hoped, prove a great help to lacrosse, as it would give the New York and Brooklyn clubs a suitable place to play matches on, and which was very much needed heretofore. Taking everything into consideration the secretary had every reason to hope for a brilliant future for the game of lacrosse in the United States.

After the Secretary's report had been read and adopted, and the regular routine business finished, the delegates proceeded to ballot for officers for the

ensuing year, the following gentlemen being elected:—

President, Hermann Oelrichs, Brooklyn L C, re-elected; First Vice-President, J D Iglehart, Baltimore A C; Second Vice-President, Edward Kennedy, Osceola L C; Third Vice-President, S Macdonald, Union A C, re-elected; Sec-Treasurer, J R Flannery, Brooklyn L C, re-elected.

Council—M St C Wright, Harvard L A; G H Hope, Bay Ridge L C, re-elected; W H Comstock, Baltimore A C; E A Pearce, New York University L C; H M Howard, Union A C.

After a unanimous vote of thanks to the Westchester Polo Club for their generous gift of a champion cup to the association last season and a similar vote to officers for previous years the meeting was adjourned.

A NEW LACROSSE CLUB.

The Brooklyn Lacrosse Club was organized on Saturday afternoon, June 12, and elected the following gentlemen as officers for the season:—

President, Mr. Hermann Oelrich, N.Y; Vice-President, Rev T R Slicer, Brooklyn; Sec-Treasurer, Mr. J R Flannery, Brooklyn; Captain, Mr. E Merritt, N Y. Committee, Messrs. A D Ritchey, J W Danicis and A Barker.

REGULATION BALLS.

The accident to a lacrosse player at Leamington is unprecedented in the annals of the game, and the only way we can account for it is, that the ball used at practice was one of the hard kind that one so often sees exposed for sale as lacrosse balls. A regulation lacrosse ball should be light and spongy, so much so indeed that when thrown swiftly it should assume an oblong shape. When pressed between the thumb and fingers it should feel soft and spongy; if it resists pressure in this way it should not be used either at practice or in matches, as it is exceedingly dangerous if thrown with any degree of swiftness. While it is hard to describe a regulation lacrosse ball, almost every player instinctively knows one the moment he gets his hands upon it. Great care should be exercised in this matter, as the sad accident above recorded shows that unless ordinary precautions are taken results may follow which will bring the game into bad repute on account of fancied danger.

THE MONTREAL CLUB.

A meeting of the Montreal Club was held on Wednesday evening last to consider the propriety of their withdrawing their resignation to the Association. After some discussion the matter was referred to a committee of seven, who are to report to the club in three weeks time.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

In our last issue we inadvertently stated that the match between the Shamrocks and the Caughnawagas was for the "Championship." This was a mistake, the match, as originally arranged, was for the Championship, but the action of the Association in declaring the Indians professionals, barred them from competing for the title.

A sad and fatal accident occurred at Leamington, Ont., on the 9th inst. About 7:30, while the Lacrosse Club were playing on the Agricultural Grounds, a young lad by the name of Smith was struck on the side by a flying ball and instantly killed. Medical aid was at once summoned, but life was extinct before anything could be done for him. The ball struck opposite the heart.

TORONTOS vs. MONTREALERS.

It is now definitely announced that these clubs will play on the Toronto grounds on Dominion Day. The last match between these teams played before His Excellency the Gov. General and the Princess Louise was a walk over for the Montrealers. From the names of the players mentioned as likely to take part, we should judge that the Montreal team is weaker and the Torontos stronger than last year, in which case the match should be very evenly contested. The Torontos owe it to themselves to redeem their banner from the dark spots of defeat which have lately marred its lustre.

TORONTOS vs. DOMINIONS.

The return match between these clubs will be played on the Toronto Cricket Ground on Saturday next, and gives promise of being a first class game in every sense of the word. Both teams are getting themselves ready for the fray, and the result will be looked forward to with great interest by all lovers of the game. May the best men win, say we.

Ross McKenzie, the well-known point of the Toronto Club, was married last week. While offering him our sincere congratulations, we are pleased to know that he does not intend to retire into private life, but will still remain an active member of the team of which he forms such an important part.

In the lacrosse match at Montreal on Saturday afternoon between the Independents and Junior Shamrocks, the former won two games to the latter's one, when the match was given the Independents because the Shamrocks changed a man on their team during the game contrary to the rules.

A game was played in the Queen's Park on Saturday between the Canadians and the Mackinaws, resulting in a victory for the Mackinaws.

The Independents, of Montreal, the junior champions of Quebec, are striding to the front since they determined to come out as a senior team, their last effort resulting in the defeat of the Montreal second twelve. They should try and arrange a match with the Dominions, of Toronto, the "Intermediate Champions," and settle the much discussed question of last year, as to which club should hold these championship honors. Last year they played in all five matches, winning four and losing only one, that with the Montreal club.

A game was played at Fergus on Thursday, June 17th, between the Fergus and Arthur clubs, Fergus taking three straight games. Time, 25, 35 and 1 minute.

H. R. H. Prince Leopold, through his secretary, has written to Mr. Scullion, Vice-President of the Shamrock Club, asking that his name be placed on the roll of membership.

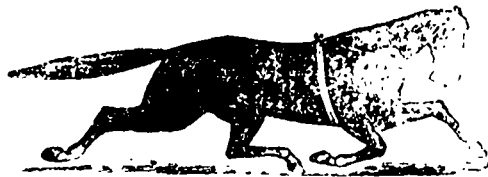
A game was played at Seabrook on the 18th inst. between the Huron club of Goderich and the Beaver club of Seabrook, resulting in the defeat of the former by three games to one.

The Brant Lacrosse Club will play the Athletic Club, of St. Catharines at the latter place on Dominion Day.

The races of the Peterboro' Lacrosse Club for medals presented by the President, on account of which will be found in the Athletic column, were well contested, and cannot fail to do good to the club. The Peterboro' club has set a good example to the rest of our lacrosse clubs to go and do likewise.

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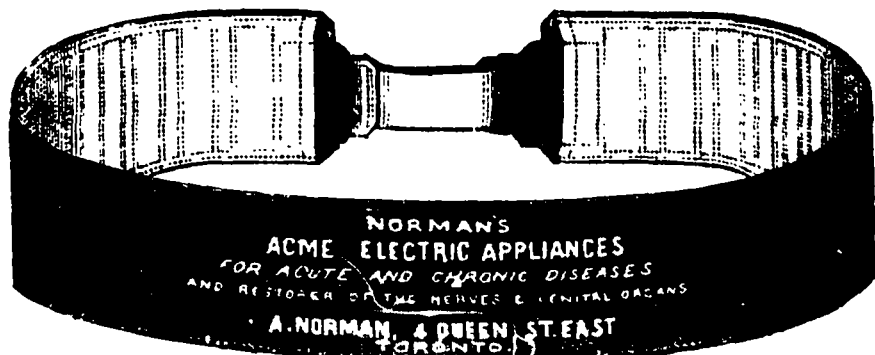
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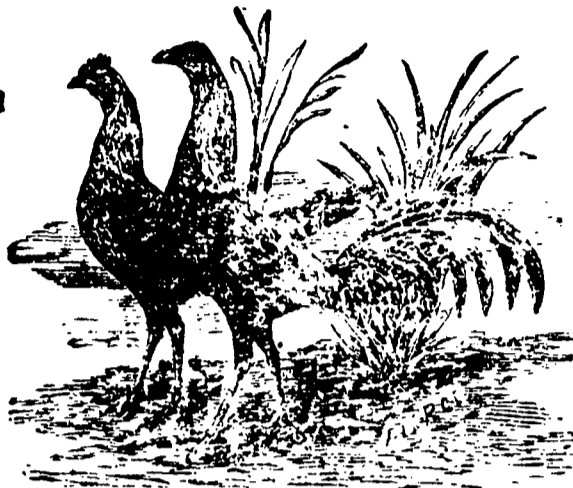
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First day—Running, mile heats; purse \$125; Province breds allowed 10 lbs, except Lady D'Arcy \$100, 25.

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Steeplechase, handicap; purse \$125; \$100, 25.

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Second day—Trotting; purse \$175; for colts 4 years old and under, that are bred, raised and owned in Ontario, mile heats, two in three; \$100, 50, 25.

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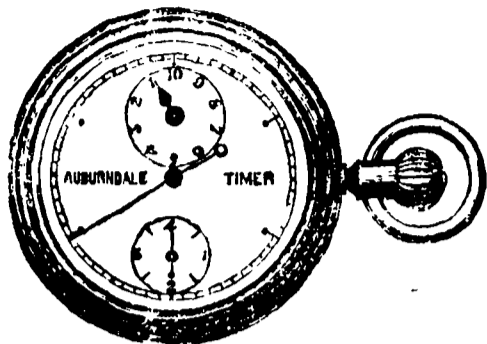
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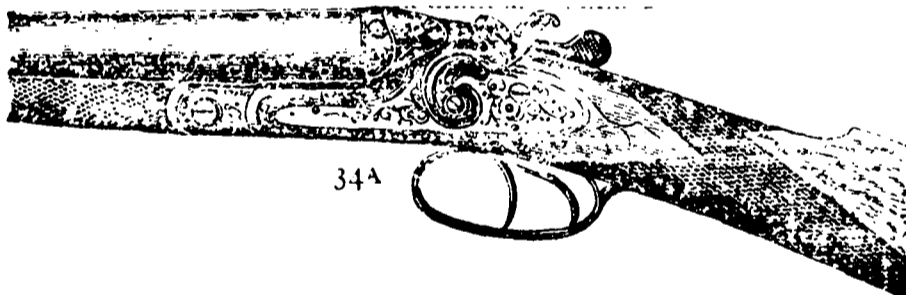
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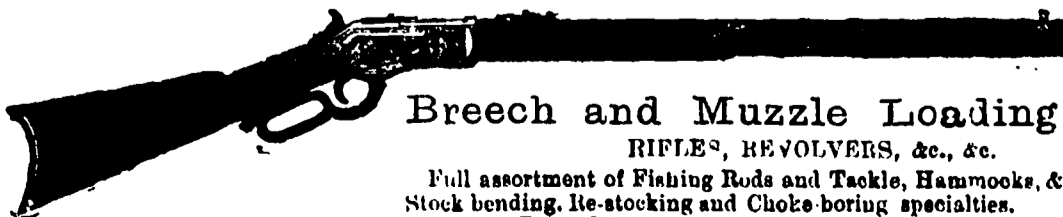
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