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TROTTING AT RUTLAND, VT.

Lead, July 18.—Purse \$50.
 Birmingham's b g Arthur..... 1 1 1
 City's b m Lalla Bookh..... 2 2 2
 Aston's br m No Name..... 3 3 3
 Daniel's br g Harry..... 4 4 4
 No time.

LION MATCH AT PORTLAND ME.

Wampscot Park, Portland, Me., July 25.—
 Bill Sheridan..... 1 2 1 1
 Messenger Knox..... 2 1 2 2
 Time—2:34½, 2:35, 2:34, 2:48.

TROTTING AT SAGINAW CITY, MICH.

Law City, July 14.—Purse \$50.
 Falkner's b g Lord Dufferin..... 1 1
 Beck's gr g Gray Dick..... 2 2
 Mack's blk m Jessie Snell..... 3 3
 Time—3:00½, 3:51½.

Two heats had been trotted, the race was called off.

HOPEFUL BEATS SMUGGLER.

Worcester Park, Boston, July 25.—Purse \$1,000.
 Hopeful's gr g Hopeful..... 1 1 1
 Smuggler's br g Smuggler..... 2 2 2
 Time—2:22, 2:19½, 2:30½.

RACING AT NEWARK, N.Y.

July 17.—Purse \$200; 3:20 class.
 Dick Jones..... 1 1 2 1
 Deak Wright..... 4 2 1 1 5
 Maggie..... 2 6 6 5 2
 Fountain, Zero, Minnie Granger, and one also started.
 Time 2:45, 2:45, 2:45, 2:40 2:42.

RACING AT NEWARK, N.Y.

July 17.—Purse \$200; 2:35 class.
 W. Spink..... 2 1 1 1
 Charlie B..... 1 2 6 3
 Uppham..... 4 7 2 2
 Robin Red Breast, Sir Henry, and Lady also started.
 Time 2:35, 2:35, 2:35, 2:35½.

RACING AT NEWARK, N.Y.

July 18.—Purse \$200; 2:45 class.
 Sunrise..... 1 1 1
 Plenty..... 2 2 2
 Lindsmore..... 2 3 3
 No time.

July 18.—Purse \$200; 2:45 class.

RACING AT SARATOGA.

July 24.—The Alabama Stakes, for fillies foaled in 1874, \$100 each, half forfeit, with \$1,000 added; the second filly to receive \$500 out of the stakes. One mile and an eighth.
 Belmont's ch f Susquehanna, by Lexington, dam Susan Bean..... 1
 Lorillard's b f Zoo-Zoo, by Australian, dam Maruka..... 2
 Oden Bowie's ch f Oriole, by Kingfisher, dam My Maryland..... 3
 McDaniell's b f Lady Salyer..... 4
 G L Lorillard's b f Idalia..... 5
 Doswell & Cammack's b f Grecian Maid..... 6
 Charles Reed's b f Imperatrice..... 7
 Time—1:57½.

Same Day.—The Flash Stakes for two-year-olds; \$100 each, half forfeit, with \$500 added; the second horse to save his stake.
 G L Lorillard's b c Duke of Magenta, by Lexington, dam Magenta..... 1
 Lorillard's b f Perfection, by Lexington, dam Maiden..... 2
 McDaniell's ch f Fawn, by Harry Bassett, dam Spotted Fawn..... 3
 D D Wither's ch f, by Australian..... 4
 F Smythe's ch c Daricheff..... 5
 J A Grinstead's, b c Allevuer..... 6
 W Astor's ch c Keestler..... 7
 E E Clabaugh's blk f Jet..... 8
 O Reed's b c Eugene M Robinson..... 9
 Time—0:49½.

Same Day.—Purse \$400, for horses which have not ran in the United States elsewhere than at Saratoga since June 25; a free handicap for all ages; entrance \$15 (if not declared out), to go to the second horse. One mile and a quarter.
 D J Crouse's ch c Joe, by Revolver, dam Sky-light, 3 yrs old, 92 lbs..... 1
 Carr & Co's b c Viceroy, by Gilroy, dam Sister of Burio, 4 yrs old, 114 lbs..... 2
 F Smythe's b h Waller, by Hurrah, dam Queen of Clubs, 5 yrs old, 118 lbs..... 3
 Fraud, Red Coat, Wash Booth, Diamond, Ambush, and Bill Bass also started.
 Time—2:12.

Same Day.—Free handicap steeplechase, purse \$700, of which \$100 to the second horse; horses having run after 25th of June for any race closed in 1877 at any other than the Saratoga course excluded. The usual course; two miles and three quarters.
 C Reed's ch g Trouble, by Ulverston, dam Kate McDonald, aged, 165 lbs..... 1
 Hart's ch h Bedding, by Harry of the West, dam by Joe Stone, 5 yrs old, 140 lbs..... 2
 J S Cartanach's b g Beucher..... 0
 C Reed's b g Doubtful..... 0
 Time—5:35½.

July 26.—Purse \$400; Maidens, four years old or upward, allowed 7 lbs. One mile.
 J E Brewster & Co's blk c Virgilius, by Virgil, dam Late, 4 yrs old, 118 lbs..... 1
 George Longstaff's b c W I Higgins, by Pat Malloy, dam Yellowbird, 3 yrs old, 102 lbs..... 2
 C Reed's ch g Cardinal Wolsey, by Hampton Court, dam Echo, 3 yrs old, 99 lbs..... 3

RACING AT PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 19.—Ladies Purse, \$150, for three-year-olds, \$50 to second; winners of any race 5 lbs extra; three-quarters of a mile.
 W B Chestnut's ch g Bannockburn, by imp Bonnie Scotland, dam Camilla, 97 lbs..... 1
 James Alexander's b g Edwin A, by Revolver, dam Siren, 97 lbs..... 2
 H A Thomas' ch c General Hayes, by Woodstock, dam Nellie Boston, 100 lbs..... 3
 O G Tempsev's ch c Pete Reed..... 0
 Time—2:15.

Same Day.—St. Charles Hotel Stakes, for three-year-olds; \$15, p.p.; \$250 added by the St Charles Hotel; \$60 to second; one mile and a half.
 J McMahon's ch f Blondell, by imp Bonnie Scotland, dam Bulah, 97 lbs..... 1
 Dr Grace's b f Minnie Long, by Longfellow, dam by Vandal, 97 lbs..... 2
 L Thomas' b c Keno, by Chillicothe, dam Chance, 100 lbs..... 3
 H Langford's ch c Joe Burr..... 0
 R A Dempsey's h f Florence..... 0
 Time—2:45.

Same Day.—Rush House Stakes, for all ages; \$15, p.p., \$250 added by the Rush House; \$50 to second; mile heats.
 T W Doswell's br m Invoice, 6 yrs, by Lexington, dam Volga, 112 lbs..... 1 3
 C Beachy's b g Jack Harkaway, 6 yrs, by Knighthood, dam Penelope, 112 lbs..... 2 1
 Dr Grace's ch g Lapland, 3 yrs, by Gilroy, dam by Oliver, 105 lbs..... 3 2
 J McMahon's ch c Russ Butler, 4 yrs, by War Drac, dam Princess Royal, 108 lbs dis.
 Race unfinished, declared off by the judges; in consequence of the pulling of invoice.

July 20.—Consolation purse \$300, for beaten horses; mile heats; \$50 to second, 25 to third.
 O H Bradley's b m Daisy Miller, 5 yrs, by Revolver, dam Skipper, 112 lbs..... 1 1
 Dr Grace's ch g Lapland, 4 yrs, by Gilroy, dam by Oliver, 105 lbs..... 4 2
 E Burke's ch h Probability, 5 yrs, by imp Hurrah, dam by Revolver, 115 lbs..... 2 3
 Jas Alexander's b g Edwin A..... 5 4
 Owner's — Larkspur..... 6 5
 Geo S Monk's b h Moses Primrose..... 3ds
 Time—1:49½, 2:49½.

*Came in first, but distanced for being short of weight.

Same Day.—St Clair Hotel Stakes, for three-year-olds; mile heats; \$15, p.p.; \$250 added by St Clair Hotel; \$50 to second.
 J McMahon's ch f Blondell, by imp Bonnie Scotland, dam Bulah, 97 lbs..... 1 1
 Dr Grace's br f Minnie Long, by Longfellow, dam by Vandal, 97 lbs..... 2 2
 L Thomas' b c Keno, by Chillicothe, dam Chance, 100 lbs..... 4 3
 W B Chestnut's ch g Bannockburn..... 3 4
 Time—1:47½, 1:46.

Same Day.—Hurdle-race, two miles, over eight hurdles; purse \$300; \$50 to second, 25 to third.
 M Jordan's gr h Bill Monday, 5 yrs, by Rogers, dam by Engineer, 155 lbs..... 1
 T W McColl's ch c Culm..... 2

former scored 166, to which Smith and Herbert contributed 40 and 41, respectively; and Hamilton tallied 48 with the loss of eight wickets, and then refused to play, claiming the time to stop had arrived, and the game should be declared a draw. The umpire thought differently, and after allowing the proper time for the Hamilton players to come to the wickets, declared in favor of Ottawa. Only one innings was played.

The Montrealers suffered defeat at the hands of the Ottawa club on Saturday last, at Montreal, by one innings and 20 runs, the score being Ottawa 179, Montreal 88 and 71.

Port Hope beat Hamilton at the former place on Saturday last, by two wickets. Hamilton 121 and 88; Port Hope 115 and 48. In the second innings Logan, of Port Hope, bowled seven wickets for as many runs.

Galt won a game from Paris on Friday last, at the latter place, by a majority of 65 runs in a two innings game.

Base Ball.

BASE HITS.

On Thursday evening of last week Sullivan, the Guelph Maple Leaf pitcher, was seriously injured by one of his feet going through a hole in the sidewalk near the City Hotel, Guelph. His ankle is sprained and the flesh of his foot is much bruised. It will be necessary for him to use crutches for some time.

On Saturday last the Clippers and Tecumseh's (city clubs) played the second of a series of games for the championship of Toronto, on the Cricket Ground. The result of this game was—Tecumseh's, 10; Clippers, 2.

The Young Toronto and Pacifics, of this city, played a very interesting game on Saturday last. The former being the more skillful, gained an easy victory of 33 to 14.

The Atlantics of London beat the Young Activates of Woodstock on Friday last, by a score of 12 to 5.

The Maple Leaf Club will play the Tecumseh's in Guelph on the 7th of August; Manchester's of Manchester, on the 8th and 9th of August.

The Maple Leafs play the Tecumseh's in London, on the 10th of August.

The Bowmanville Royal Oaks play the Atlantics of London, on the 8th. Amateur Championship game.

played with vim and the game elicited interest if not enthusiasm on the part of the spectators. Subjoined is the score:

Dion—10 5 21 28 2 17 8 89 0 1 41 3 0
 0 0 28 8 4 14 1 47 5 12 4 42 0 17 45 0
 0 8 22 1 11 0 2 1 2 8 3 0 9 2 8 7 1 2 3
 0 10—600.

Sexton—23 0 5 0 25 0 15 15 2 5 10
 0 18 2 5 2 7 28 4 8 2 8 20 37 0 11 2 25
 0 0 6 2 8 0 61 0 11 18 6 0 0 5 0 0 1 10
 0 0—885.

Average: Dion—10 10:49; Sexton—7 6:7.
 Largest runs—Dion, 39 41 47 42 45; Sexton, 25 28 37 61.

On the conclusion of the game, an exhibition of fancy shots followed, and the rounds of applause which greeted the players as each *tour de force* was successfully accomplished, showed that the audience, though small in numbers, knew how to appreciate skill.

Another exhibition game between Joseph Dion and Wm. Sexton was played in Montreal on Saturday evening at Brand's billiard hall. On account of the heat the game was made 800 points, French caroms. Sexton was the winner, the score being—Sexton, 800; Dion, 289. Fancy shots followed, introducing the spectators to the wonders of what may be styled "billiard logerdemain."

Lacrosse.

BRANTFORD—SIMCOE.—A match was played on the 25th ult., at Simcoe, between these two clubs. The Brants won the first and second games; and the Simcoe the third. The fourth game broke up in a dispute, the Brants left the field, and the umpire gave the match to Simcoe.

HAMILTON—INDIANS.—On the 25th ult., at Brantford, the Six Nation Indians won a match from the Hamilton team. The aborigines took the first, fourth and fifth games in 30m., 8m., and 8m., respectively; the whites winning the second and third games in 15m. and 15m.

TORONTO Y. C.—HAMILTON.—The Young Canadians of Toronto visited the ambitious city on Saturday and took a scalp from the Hamiltonians. The first game was won by the home team in 18m., and the Y. C.'s captured the second, third and fourth games in 16m., 3m., and 30 sec., respectively.

SWIMMING.

THE TORONTO CLUB.—The first race of the season took place on Saturday morning last, from Armour's boat house at six o'clock. The water was beautifully calm, and a fine

that youth can dwell upon with feelings of affection or respect—can think of imitating without a smile of mockery or a shudder of disgust? How different from the dear old grandaunt or grandmamma, whom you can all look back to as the patroness of your infancy, the recipient of all your little childish schemes and schoolroom sorrows—the busy, kind, affectionate old body, whose eye was as bright and whose laugh was as hearty as that of the youngest and merriest in the little troop that gave such boisterous welcome to her presence! How well you remember every item of her neat old-fashioned toilette! You were too young, perhaps, to appreciate all her good qualities, her patience, her piety, her gentle, unselfish disposition; but even in your thoughtless childhood you found yourselves wishing, though you knew not why, that you should ever live to her advanced age, you might be even as she was; and now, though in the full, fresh bloom and confidence of youth, with the rosy light of morning brightening all around you, and the clouds of sorrow that must, sooner or later, gather round your human lot, still far below the horizon, unthought of and uncared for, you go once or twice a year to weep over her grave—think you that her girlhood was devoted to the round of frivolity, her maturity wasted in the labyrinth of fashion? Far from it. An evening of contentment and repose can only succeed a day of laborious usefulness and self-denial.

And you, affectionate mothers and cautious chaperons, who watch over your respective fledglings with such undisguised solicitude; who detail, not without covert smiles of triumph, the hard-won victory in which papa was worsted (papa, it must be owned, is very ridiculous about the horses, and the number of times by day and night that they and the carriage are required); who show cards so judiciously and reap invitations so successfully; who would pay morning visits to the Queen of Sheba, if she were going to give a ball, and let the Crown-Prince of Congo marry your daughter, if he would take a house in Grosvenor Square—have you ever reflected for what you are taking all these pains, and encountering all sorts of rebuffs and annoyances? the *cui bono* of all your visitings and your inquiries, your dressings and your crushings, your jaded days and suffocating nights, your milliner's bills (which, to be sure, are papa's affair), and your own failing health and exhausted spirits, when August releases you from your labors, and young Desire starts unceremoniously for Caithness, without so much as a visit for leave-taking, far less a proposal in form? There it is—this is the will-o'-the-wisp that glimmers through the season, and goes out at its close. This it is that smoothes Jane's ringlets, and trims Maria's gown. Dinner, concert, and breakfast; ball, opera, and French play instead of being the pastimes of an idle hour, are the great business of life, the markets which the fair spinsters of England think it no shame to frequent on view. 'Jane is a handsome girl, the image of mamma,' says old Cœlebs, 'and should be done justice to. Maria is getting on in the twenties, and must not throw a chance away.' So Maria and Jane toil on, night after night, in the labors of Hercules, to the fading of their roses and the attenuation of their figures; whilst young Desire, who smokes cigars at his club, and comes into society smelling strongly of those vegetables, thanks Mlle. Gavotte of the French play more charming than either of them; and very likely ends by marrying the parson's daughter in his own parish.

And even should the triumphant matron, undeterred by repeated failures, succeed at length in fixing some reprobate peer, who wants an heir to his title, or some antiquated millionaire, who requires a nurse for himself, as the constant Dawson of her unsophisticated Phyllis, is such a lot the one that, in her moments of reflection, she would desire for the child that has ambolled round her

behind me I regretted in vain, much I would have given anything to undo, yet for me there was still a future; Pandora's box had indeed sent forth many a misfortune, but Hope, the sweetener of our cup, was at the bottom after all. The day was clear and bracing; a sharp white frost had crisped and powdered the leafless twigs of the stately old trees above me, and gilded the rustling grass under my feet with a thousand brilliants. It was just the day for a walk, when the blood glows with exercise, and the spirits rise just as you inhale the pure oxygen of the rarefied air. The sun shines brightly down upon your path, and feels hot against your tingling cheek as you emerge into his beams; but the hoar-frost sleeps undisturbed on the shady side of rail and gate-post, and the north banks under the fences are white as snow and hard as iron. If you are addicted to hunting, you congratulate yourself on not having sent Favorite on to the place where the hounds were advertised to meet; and, striding away upon your trusty supporters, you exult in the superior elasticity of your own action to the constrained, tottering motions of a high-conditioned horse, who feels each of his four legs gliding from under him in a different direction, and is obliged to restrain his inclination for a gambol, in fear lest it should terminate with a slide. The wagon bell on the high-road, two miles away, comes tingling on your ear, sharp and distinct through the thin atmosphere—the distant spires are clearly defined against the sky; and you feel man enough to visit each and all them, and scour the intervening country before sunset, early though it be. This is the weather for five miles an hour, heel-and-toe; and if you can indeed accomplish that distance within the given time, I honor you as a pedestrian and respect you as a peripatetic.

It was quite a day for a walk, and leaving my impedimenta at the station, I determined to foot it to my destination, taking the well-known bridle-way that would lead me right across the park of Haverley. As I traversed the acres that ought to have been mine, and looked around upon the Eden I had forfeited, I could not but confess that the hand of improvement, the care of a judicious landlord, was everywhere apparent. How different from the waste and negligence of my poor father's time! The present proprietor was no high-bred gentlemen, for whom horse and hound were objects of far greater solicitude than the tenantry and cottagers, whose welfare it should be his privilege to ensure; no scion of an old family, despising the *canaille*, and esteeming blood the one thing needful, as though a long nose and a small foot were effective substitutes for all the cardinal virtues. No; he was a painstaking, practical man, who by his own unremitting exertions had amassed a large fortune, which he was now expending for the benefit of his fellow-creatures. Capital judiciously applied, I could not but see was an advantageous exchange for all the wasteful excesses and empty state of the old family; nor do I think the obtuse cottagers and thick-headed farmers ever regretted the coach-and-six, the Norman descent, the condescending courtesy, and the rack-rents of the Grands. As I swung on, invigorated by the exercise, and marked how well this farmhouse had been repaired, how systematically that plantation had been thinned, I came to the very spot where, in my early youth, I had ridden the four-year-old, afterwards immortalized as Sir Benjamin, out of Haverley cow-pasture into the London road; and many as were the years that had elapsed, changed as was the whole world around me, and myself more changed than all, I confess to a thrill of boyish exultation as I perceived my exploit commemorated by a strong oakon rail placed across the gap established by our egress, and which would effectually debar any daring equestrian from a repetition of the feat.

Vanity is of all ages, and I have heard

'O Sir Digby! Sir Digby!' cried the emaciated woman, blushing crimson over face, neck, and hands, as she recognized me; 'have pity on me—I am ruined, degraded—have pity on me—I am starving! It is God's truth; I am starving, and my child will die upon the road for want of a morsel of bread!'

Poor creature! the first kind words she had heard for many a long day brought on a fit of hysterical weeping, and a scene extremely unusual on the Queen's highway. She knelt before me on the cold ground; she covered my hand with kisses; she showered blessings on my head almost as volubly as the beggar who has been brought up to the trade, and whose beatitudes are of surprising eloquence; but her's came direct from the heart, for our timely encounter had saved the life of her child. She told me of Levanter—she called him Richard—there was no concealment now. She described to me all she had borne with him and for him; how they had cheated and swindled together, and lived first in one place then in another, on their dishonest profits; how they had been new in affluence, now in extreme want; and how, whilst Richard was kind to her, she had been happy through it all; how at last, when ill-luck seemed to pursue everything they undertook, he had become first morose, then savage; how he had cursed her as a clog round his neck, when she bore him the child that was even then in her arms; how he had struck her for going to old Burgonet's funeral; and her tears flowed afresh as she sobbed out, 'for the old man was indeed kind to me!'—and how the bitterest drop in her cup was the assurance that Richard hated her and wished to get rid of her. How the gang to which he had attached himself was discovered and broken up, and he was at that very moment crossing the high seas, a transport for life; and even now, could she find the means, despite his neglect, despite his crimes, his false-heartedness, and his brutality, she would fain go out and join him once more in another hemisphere!

Woman is indeed a wondrous creation. Had this one any single redeeming quality but those which are inseparable from her sex? Wanton, reckless, and deceitful, had she been a man, she would have been the basest of her kind; but she was a woman; and sunk, degraded as she might be, she was true to her first love—she would have died for her child. Need I say that I did all in my power to soften her wretched lot? But it was with a slower step and a saddened, chastened heart that I walked on to my destination, where a very different scene awaited me—a scene of mirth and merrymaking, cordiality and good wishes. What a mocking contrast to the sobs and anguish of that shame-stricken outcast!

I presume all weddings are much the same in detail, how different soever may be the causes that lead to such ceremonials. The one to which I was now hastening had indeed reason to be a joyous gathering. After years of probation, much opposition from papa, and all sorts of obstacles which proverbially ruffle the course of true love, my friend and partner, Tom Spencer, was about to be united to the faithful Julia Batt. The Rev. Amos himself was to give the bride away at the altar; old Doctor Driveller, assisted by two strapping curates, was to perform the ceremony; and the part of bringing the bridegroom in good order to the post, and then giving him knee during the match, was to devolve upon myself; an office, I may remark, *en passant*, which, when often persisted in, is apt to stamp the scared bottle-holder a bachelor for life. In all well-regulated establishments, that sacred period which immediately precedes the irrevocable union of two fellow-creatures is treated by the females as a kind of saturnalia, during which, probably to guide the future conduct of the spouse, male authority is set utterly

on the morrow, and with a lively impression of the responsible office I had undertaken, and an indistinct feeling of relief as I reflected that I was only the second, and not the principal, I proceeded to endue myself in the gorgeous attire without which it is unlucky to attend either weddings or christenings; and after a hasty cup of tea, provided by the kind attention of Julia's new maid, all the rest of the female domestics being at sixes and sevens, I proceeded to the farm-house to look after my man.

Tom was nervous, undoubtedly nervous. His breakfast stood untouched upon the table, and his hand shook as he fastened the tie of his blue neck-cloth, and gave his whiskers their farewell twirl. All the females of his establishment were likewise on the move. The old dame that reigned over the farm eyed him with severe scrutiny as he left her threshold; and the blowsy maid-of-all-work forgot the ribbons with which we had presented her, in her infatuated eagerness to get a look at the bridegroom. The village, too, of which we had to traverse the whole length, was up in arms; and still caps and gowns predominated over the male creation. Doubtless, there is something in a wedding that speaks directly to the sympathies of woman, reminds her of what has been, or kindles hopes of what may be, in her gentle bosom. Certainly she misses no opportunity of witnessing the fatal ceremony.

In the church, the same ministering angels thronged loft, aisle, and chancel, with inquiring countenances of every age and every hue; whilst many a whispered comment and open-mouthed stare did homage to the magnificent apparel of the bride. The men admired her beauty, the women her dress. The pen of fiction must not presume to describe the sacred ceremony; enough to say that the venerable clergyman, the quaint old church, the respectful congregation, were in harmonious keeping with the holy office then and there celebrated; but when the bride faltered out, as brides will do, the important words, 'I will,' a burst of weeping broke forth from the assembled fair, as violent as it was unaccountable; there was not a dry eye in the church, if we except the clerk and the half-dozen males who found themselves thus, as it were, swamped in tears. Even the old gipsy-woman from the common, who could scarce be said to belong to the parish, and had not set eyes on Miss Batt twice in her existence, sobbed as if her heart would break. One would have supposed a second Andromeda was bound for sacrifice, and that Tom Spencer, looking more meek, not to say sheepish, than I had ever seen him in his life, was the odious sea-monster, gaping to devour his victim. Had each and all of these sympathising Niobes been then and there about to be united in marriage to the Sultan, and shipped off for Constantinople and captivity on the spot, their grief could not have been more general or more insoluble.

The knot is soon tied, however dilatory may be the legal process of untying the same. Again the old tower rocks with a merry peal, and the ringers, refreshed with beer, and incited to further exertions by the prospect of that favorite beverage in still greater profusion, moisten their strong large hands and pull away vigorously; white-headed old men, the fore-fathers of the hamlet, bless the handsome bride as she passes. Tom Spencer walks by her side, erect and smiling, and tries to look quite at his ease with indifferent success. There is always a startled look about a bridegroom, as if he had only just awoke to the responsibilities of the office; and Tom can hardly realize to himself that the lady whom he has adored so many years as Miss Batt, is now handed in at her father's door as Mrs. Spencer—a new and strange designation, which somewhat destroys the identity of that very charming person. May

be when divested of all those muslin cutworks, and rally that blushing upon the hilling appearance of herself and sister bridesmaids. There is a vacant place on my other hand—a lady in half-mourning glides quietly into it. Her dress touches me as she sits down, and turning round, I behold the pale, sad face, the gentle, chastened beauty of Flora Belmont.

How changed from the laughing girl that I first met, kindling with enthusiasm at the review! How changed, and yet how inexpressibly lovelier! The deep blue eye was heavy and sorrow-laden, yet its glance was soft and winning as ever. The smooth cheek had lost something of its roundness and its dimples, yet the outline was faultless as a sculptor's model still; the low pale forehead had a shade of care, and a line or two of silver already streaked those masses of dark-brown hair; yet for spiritual beauty, for that indefinite indescribable something which makes woman lovable—there is no other word for it—how superior was the Flora of to-day to the fresh rosy girl of—it is needless to say how many years ago! Not that I perceived this all at once; not that I turned round and took an inventory of Miss Belmont's charms, as of a portrait in the exhibition. Far from it; our greeting was indeed of the briefest and most formal nature, to a stranger it would have seemed something less than kind. I am not sure that we shook hands. And it is more from conviction than memory, that I am aware Flora was residing with an aunt not five miles from Haverley, or three from Owlthorps; that she had lost her father scarcely a year, and had been over-persuaded by Julia to come to the wedding breakfast, though her sable attire prevented her witnessing the ceremony in church.

To say truth, I have but a confused notion of the events of that morning. I have a dim recollection of much shouting and rapping of the table when we drank the health of the new-married couple, and Tom Spencer's breaking down sadly in a suitable reply. I know that I was much laughed at for absence of mind and dereliction of duty in permitting Mr. Mottles, now an excessively garrulous old gentleman, to take upon himself my office of proposing the bridesmaids' health, a duty which he performed in a speech of astonishing eloquence, comparing those laughing damsels to everything that was charming, animate, or inanimate, and bringing Lempriere's Dictionary into play, with extraordinary research, for classical metaphors and examples illustrating their extreme loveliness; they were spring flowers, they were budding roses, satellites shining round the silver queen of heaven, nymphs dancing in the train of Diana, laughing Hours attendant on the rosy Morn, they were the three Graces and the nine Muses (there were just eight of them), and, in conclusion, he wished them all sorts of happiness, and one husband a-piece at least, and more afterwards, if that was not enough.

My toast could not have fallen into abler hands. I think the bride retired for an unconscionably long time to change her dress for travelling—they were to spend the honeymoon at Maltby's place, in Yorkshire—and reappeared in a costume of surprising magnificence, surmounted by a bonnet, the like of which I have never seen before nor since. I am persuaded that I shook hands repeatedly both with her and Tom Spencer at uncertain intervals, and for no obvious reason; and the impression is strong upon my mind that either I or Mr. Mottles threw an old shoe after the carriage as it drove off, to the imminent peril of Julia's new maid on the dicky.

To be continued.

Mr. Samuel Leil, Gore, Westminster, has a hen in his possession which is raising a litter of kittens.

Canadian Turf

RACING AT QUEBEC.

Quebec, July 21. ... Dawos, g f Camillo, 8 yrs, by Thunder dam an imported mare ...

Same Day.—\$150. Hurdling; for horses bred in the city of Quebec. Dash of two furlongs. \$100, 50.

Goldfinch won the first heat after a hard struggle with Bombadier, Hurricane well up, Bombadier led under the wire in the second heat by saddle skirts, but a cross was claimed by the rider of Goldfinch and allowed by the judges.

There were two other starters, but they were no place in the race. During the day the attendance at the track was very large, and everybody well pleased.

July 26.—\$250. Hurdle race; open to all 2 miles, over 8 hurdles, \$200, 50.

Galatea threw her rider at the first hurdle, and went it alone the balance of the race. She was stopped on the homestretch the last mile by the crowd, interfering considerably with the rest of the horses.

Same Day.—\$100. Running; three-quarter mile heats; gentlemen's scurry. \$60, 40.

TROTTING AT LONGUEUIL, P.Q.

Longueuil, P.Q., July 25.—\$200. Trotting. Open to all. Mile heats, 2:30, 2:35, 2:40.

TROTTING AT ST. HELAIRE, P.Q.

St. Helaire, P.Q., July 20.—\$20. Trotting. Mile heats; for country horses.

Same Day.—\$100. Trotting. Mile heats. Open to carter's horses.

English Turf

THE DERBY, OAKS, AND ST. LEGER OF 1879.

The animations for these three important races have just closed, and were published on Thursday, July 12, in the official Racing Calendar.

Table with columns for Derby, Oaks, and St. Leger, listing names and numbers.

TROTTING IN ENGLAND.

Trotting Match Between American Horses—A trotting match for \$500 came off at Alexandra Park, on Monday, 9th ult., between Mr. Henry Phillips' ch m Betsy Baker, and Mr. C. F. Webb's b m Norah, mile heat, 3 in 5, in harness, flying starts, with the following result:

Alexandra Park, London, July 9.—\$250 a side, mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness; flying starts.

There is a large attendance to witness the match and the excitement was intense during all the four heats trotted.

CANADIAN HORSES AT SARATOGA.

The four races on July 26th, was for a purse of \$4; dash of 1 1/2 miles; the winner to be sold at auction.

to the Ontario Rowing Club took place on Toronto Bay. The course was from the foot of Bay street eastward one mile and return.

A CANADIAN YACHT CAPSIZED.

The Rochester, N. Y., Democrat and Chronicle of the 26th ult. contains the following paragraph: "Captain M. D. Eaton, of the Mollie Spencer, reached Charlotte about 7 o'clock last evening.

ROWING RACES AT HAMILTON.

On Saturday, August 4th, it is proposed to row a four-oared race for cups on Burlington Bay, distance two miles, between the Leander Rowing Club of Hamilton, Argonaut Rowing Club of Toronto, and the Toronto Rowing Club.

The Boston, Mass., Sunday Herald says: "A gentleman of Boston, who still believes in Hanlan's ability as an oarsman, is willing to match him again at Plaisted for a three-mile race, the stakes to be \$500 a side.

The N. Y. Sportsman of last week speaks of Hanlan's letter as follows:—"Hanlan, the Canadian oarsman, comes off with a pretty straightforward story, in which he entirely repudiates the charges brought against him."

HAVRD.—The Rochester, N.Y., papers say that John Dugan and Charles Slater, in command of the yacht Fairy from Hamilton, Ont., were both rescued when their capsized boat was picked up by the schooner Theresa, after Friday's storm.

To Correspondents.

(No notice taken of anonymous communications or queries. No answer by mail or telegraph.)

Amusements.

CITY. The excitement about the Dunkin Act, and the warm weather, interfere seriously with amusements.

The advance agent of Howe's Great London Circus is in the city making arrangements for a tour of the country with the show.

MONTEAL.—John O'Brien's Circus and Menagerie exhibited on the Lacrosse Grounds on July 31, Aug. 1 and 2.

HALIFAX.—Business at the Academy of Music the past week rather dull. On 28, Mr. J. R. Grismer took his benefit; Ours, and Box & Cox Married and Settled, being the bill.



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OGDENSBURG RACES!

The Oswegatchie Agricultural Society offers the following Purse to be contended for on the Society's Grounds, at Ogdensburg, N. Y., during their 7th Annual Fair, TO BE HELD ON SEPT. 5, 6, 7, '77.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5. No 1—Trotting; Purse \$125. \$75 to 1st, \$35 to 2nd, \$15 to 3rd. Open to colts foaled in 1874.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, SEPT. 6. No 2—Trotting; Purse \$150. \$90 to 1st, \$45 to 2nd, \$15 to 3rd. Open to all horses that never beat before on Aug. 27, 1877.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, SEPT. 7. No 7—Trotting; Purse \$400. \$235 to 1st, \$125 to 2nd, \$40 to 3rd. Open to all.

No 10—Consolation Purse; running; \$100. \$70 to 1st, \$30 to 2nd. Single dash of 1 mile and 75 yards. Open to all horses that have not won first or second money at this meeting.

RULES AND REGULATIONS. Trotting Races will be mile heats, best 3 in 5 to harness, except in No. 1, and will be conducted under the Rules of the National Association.



HOLIDAY MEETING

WOODBINE, TORONTO.

SATURDAY & MONDAY, CIVIC HOLIDAY

AUGUST 11th & 13th, 1877.

FIRST DAY. \$100—Trotting. For all horses owned within ten miles of Toronto, on the 1st of July, 1877, that have never beaten 3 minutes. \$60, 25, 10, 5.

\$150—Running. Dash of a mile and a half. Open to all horses, (bar Bill Bruce and Inspiration). T. C. W. Foreign-bred horses, 7 lbs extra. \$120, 20, 10.

\$200—Trotting. 2:37 class, (bar Alexander). \$120, 40, 25, 15.

SECOND DAY. \$175—Trotting. 2:40 class, (bar Alexander) \$110, 35, 20, 10.

\$150—Running. Half-mile heats, (bar Inspiration and Bill Bruce). T. C. W. Foreign-breds 7 lbs extra. \$120, 20, 10.

\$125—Running. Dash of a mile and a quarter. Weights, 8 yrs 131 lbs; 4 yrs, 146 lbs; 5 yrs and upwards, 159 lbs; Dominion-breds allowed 7 lbs.; Gentlemen riders allowed 5 lbs. \$100, 15, 10.

\$100—Steeplechase. For Dominion half bred horses, (bar Grey Cloud). Over the usual steeplechase course. Handicap, top weight 160 lbs, gentleman riders allowed 7 lbs. \$75, 25.

RULES AND REGULATIONS: Dominion Rules to govern. Trotting to be mile heats, 3 in 5, in harness. Entrance 10 per cent., and must accompany nomination. Half-forefeit in handicap. Mares and geldings allowed three pounds. No premium to distanced or ruled out horses.



Waterloo D.P.A.

Will hold their Fall Meeting, on THURSDAY & FRIDAY,

AUGUST 23 & 24.

FIRST DAY. No 1—Purse \$150. Trotting. For horses owned, bred, and raised in the Province of Ontario, that have never beaten 3 minutes.

No 2—Purse \$175. Running. For Dominion-bred horses only, (bar Maritime). Mile heats. First horse \$115, second \$40, third \$20. Weights for age.

SECOND DAY. No 4—Purse \$150. Trotting. For horses owned in Canada, 1st of January, 1877, that have never beaten 2:45. First horse \$110, second \$35, third \$15.

of our maturity. Imagine such sentiments so expressed by a tall austere lady, with high manly features, piercing dark eyes, a front of jet-black hair coming low down on a somewhat furrowed brow. Cousin John says all dark women are inclined to be cross; and I own I think we blondes have the best of it as far as good-temper is concerned. My aunt is not altered in the slightest degree from what she was then. She dresses invariably in gray silks of the most delicate shades and texture; carries spectacles low down upon her nose, where they can be of no earthly use except for inspection of the carpet; and wears lavender kid gloves at all hours of the day and night—for Aunt Deborah in vain of her hand, and preserves its whiteness as a mark of her birth and parentage. Most families have a crotchet of some sort on which they plume themselves; some will boast that their scions rejoice, one and all, in long noses; others esteem the attenuated frames which they bequeath to their descendants as the most precious of legacies; one would not part with his family squint for the finest pair of eyes that ever adorned an Andalusian maiden; another cherishes his hereditary gout as a priceless patent of nobility; and even insanity is prized in proportion to the tenacity with which it clings to a particular race. So the Horsinghams never cease talking of the Horsingham hand; and if I want to get anything out of Aunt Deborah, I have only to lend her a pair of my gloves, and agologise to her for their being so large that she can put both hands into one.

Now, the only thing we ever fall out about is what my aunt calls propriety. I had a French governess once, who left because I pinned the tail of Cousin's kite to her skirt, and put white mice in her work-box; and she was always lecturing me about what she called *les convenances*. Aunt Deborah don't speak much French, though she says she understands it perfectly, and she never lets me alone about propriety. When I came home from church that rainy Sunday with Colonel Bingham, under his umbrella (a cotton one), Aunt Deborah lectured me on the impropriety of such a thing—though the Colonel is forty, if he is a day, and told me repeatedly he was a 'safe old gentleman.' I didn't think him at all dangerous, I'm sure. I rode a race against Bob Dashwood the other morning, once round the inner ring, down Rotten Row, to finish in front of Apsley House, and beat him all to ribands—wasn't it fun? And didn't I kick the dirt in his face? He look like a well that had been fresh plastered when he pulled up. I don't know who told Aunt Deborah. It wasn't the coachman, for he said he wouldn't; but she heard of it somehow, and, of course, she said it was improper and unladylike, and even unfeminine, as if anything a woman does can be unfeminine. I know Bob didn't think so, though he got the worst of it every way.

To be sure, we women are sadly kept down in this world, whatever we shall be in the next. If they would only let us try, I think we could beat the lords of the creation, as they call themselves, at everything they undertake. Dear me, they talk about our weakness and vanity;—why, they never know their own minds for two minutes together; and as for vanity, only tell a man you think him good-looking, and he falls in love with you directly; or if that is too great a bounce—and indeed very few of them have the slightest pretensions to beauty—you need only hint that he rides gallantly, or waltzes nicely, or wears neat boots, and it will do quite as well. I recollect perfectly that Cousin Emily made her great marriage—five thousand a year and the chance of a baronetcy—by telling her partner in a quadrille, quite innocently, that she should know his figure anywhere. The man had a hump, and one leg shorter than the other; but he thought Emily was dying for him, and proposed within a fortnight. Emily is a heartless creature,—good common sense, Aunt Deborah calls it,—and so she

good teeth, and a fresh color, and loads of soft brown hair, and not a bad figure—so my dressmaker tells me; though I think myself I look best in a riding-habit. Altogether you can't call that a perfect fright; but, nevertheless, I think if I might I would change places with Cousin John. He has no Aunt Deborah to be continually preaching propriety to him. He can go out when he likes without being questioned, and 'scape in without being scolded. He can swagger about wherever he chooses without the most odious of encumbrances called a chaperone; and though I shouldn't care to smoke as many cigars as he does (much as I like the smell of them in the open air), yet I confess it must be delightfully independent to have a latch-key.

I often wonder whether other people think Cousin John good-looking. I have known him so long, that I believe I can hardly be a fair judge. He is fresh-colored, to be sure, and square, and rather fat, and when he smiles, and shows all his white teeth, he has a very pleasant appearance; but I think I admire a man who looks more of a roue—not like Colonel Bingham exactly, whose face is all wrinkles and whiskers, but a little care worn and dejected, as if he was accustomed to difficulties, and had other things to occupy his thoughts besides his horses and his dinner. I don't like a man that stares at you; and I don't like a man that can't look you in the face. He provokes me if he is all smiles; and I've no patience with him if he's cross. I'm not sure I know exactly what does please me best, but I do know that I like Cousin John's constant good-humor, and the pains he takes to give me a day's amusement whenever he can, or what he calls have Cousin Kate out for a lark; and this brings me back to Aunt Deborah and the expedition to Ascot, a thing of all others I fancied was so perfectly delightful.

'My dear,' said Aunt Deborah, as she folded her lavender-gloved hands, 'if it wasn't for the weather and my rheumatism, I'd accompany you myself; but I do consider that Ascot is hardly a place for my niece to be seen at without a chaperone, and with no other protector than John Jones—John Jones, repeated the old lady, reflectively. 'an excellent young man, doubtless—I heard him his Catechism when he was so high—but still hardly equal to so responsible a charge as that of Miss Coventry.'

I knew this was what John calls a backhander at me, but I can be so good-tempered when I have anything to gain, therefore I only said—

'Well, aunt, of course you are the best judge, and I don't care the least about going; only when John calls this afternoon, you must explain it all to him, for he's ordered the carriage, and the luncheon, and everything, and he'll be so disappointed.'

I've long ago found out, that if you want to do anything, you should never seem too anxious about it.

Aunt Deborah is fonder of John than she likes to confess. I know why, because I've heard tell the housekeeper when I was quite a little thing, and what I hear, especially if I'm not intended to hear it, I never forget. There were three Miss Horsinghams, all with white hands,—poor mamma, Aunt Deborah, and Aunt Dorcas. Now Aunt Deborah wanted to marry 'old David Jones (John's papa). I can just remember him—a snuffy little man with a brown wig, but perhaps he wasn't always so; and David Jones, who was frightened at Aunt Deborah's black eyes, thought he would rather marry Aunt Dorcas. Why the two sisters didn't toss up for him, I can't think; but he did marry Aunt Dorcas, and Aunt Deborah has been an old maid ever since. Sometimes even now she fixes her eyes on Cousin John, and then takes them off with a great sigh. It seems ridiculous in an old lady, but I don't know it is so. That's the reason my cousin can't do as he likes with Aunt Deborah.

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heat race, beating 3 others, getting a record of
2:44; and at Portland, Me., same year, won a
\$500 purse for all stallions owned in the State, in
3 straight heats, over a slow track, best heat
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Woodstock, May 1, '77.

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Jr.'s dam by Hertzell's Hambletonian (full
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Duroc, by Duroc, by imp. Diomed.
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world at the Stud, viz., 1:42 and 1:44.
Terms—\$15 for the season, payable on the
1st of January, 1878. Mares not proving in foal
may be returned next season free of charge.
JOHN FORBES,
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Woodstock, April 25, 1877.

CAPTAIN TOM

2:34  2:34
WINNER OF THE GOLD MEDAL

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stable, McMurray Hotel, Ingersoll.
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ford, and remain from noon till 3 p.m.; thence
to Thos. Richardson's Hotel, Putmanville, and
remain over night.
Wednesday—He will leave Putmanville, about
2 p.m., and proceed to his own stable, Ingersoll,
where he will remain till the following Tuesday
morning.

DESCRIPTION AND PEDIGREE.
Captain Tom is a beautiful roan with black
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action and gait. He is the sire of some magnif-
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among horsemen, generally, and breeders who
avail themselves of his services have a guarantee
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was entered in the SPORTING TIMES Stallion
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race and thus easily fulfilling his owners' ex-
pectations, and proving himself to be the "Boss
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such speedy horses as Fulton, Black Douglass,
Douglass and War Hulet. Capt. Tom was
foaled in 1864, bred by Mr. McGregor, near
London, Ont., record 2:34, got by McGregor's
Warrior, he by Royal George, son of Black War-
rior, son of Tippecoe, he by Ogden's Messenger, son
of imported Messenger, dam Volcano, second
dam by Blackwood.
Terms.—To insure a foal \$15, to be paid 1st
February, 1878; for the season, \$12, to be paid
on the last round; single leap, \$10, to be paid
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TOO MANY JUDGES

Some of the finishes at Saratoga have been remarkably fierce and close. The judges in the stand and the multitude have not seen them alike. As a consequence, criticisms have been in order, and they have been frequent, and sometimes severe. In the All Aged Stakes, when Tom Ochiltree, Parole, and Vera Cruz passed the staff, the excitement was intense. The crowd gathered on all sides of the timber stand and crowded the lawn. "Who won?" was upon every man's lips. The answers came "Parole," "Tom Ochiltree," "Vera Cruz," and "Why, Vera Cruz, by a neck." Amid this babel of tongues no opinion could be formed. The excitement was very high. The judges were compelled to delay several minutes, for the Secretary to report how the weights stood, during which time the crowd increased, and with it the excitement. Bets were made that this, that, or the other horse had won. Finally the numbers are placed showing Vera Cruz as the winner, with Tom Ochiltree second, and Parole third. The disappointed were very emphatic, while the backers of the winner rent the air with wild shouts.

We regard such criticisms as characterized this event as very deleterious to the interests of the turf. It can hardly be avoided, however, until judges' stands are lowered to nearly parallel with the heads of the horses, and the number of judges is reduced to one in all running races. We have heretofore called attention to the fact that more than one judge cannot see the actual finish. The public understand this, and they seem to take to the idea that it is the two that do not see the finish, as it actually is who decide the issue. This may or may not be so, and yet it would be far more satisfactory to have but one judge in the stand. The system has at least given satisfaction, wherever it has been tried, while the other has not. This alone should be a strong argument in favor of a change.

Another important consideration in this connection is the fact that, by adopting the one-judge system, only men of incorruptible integrity, sound sense, well versed in the laws and usages of the turf, of a cool, clear head, and entirely disinterested in the result, would ever occupy the judges' stand. Those who were doubtful of their ability or integrity others doubted, would not be allowed to enter it. The men who sometimes gain access to the judges' stands are wholly incompetent, reckless, and sometimes worse. They do not comprehend the importance of the trust imposed upon them, and actually do not care. Such men are unfit for the responsibilities of the position, and should not be allowed to enter the stand, and never could under the one-judge system. The experiment is, at least, worthy of a trial, and we hope the clubs will take it into consideration. —*Spirit of the Times.*

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3—J. P. Wiser, Prescott, b h CHESTNUT HILL, by Rysdyk; dam the Miller mare, by Bully King, he by Geo. M. Patchen.

4—Simon James, Hamilton, g h WINFIELD SCOTT, by Edward Everett, by Rysdyk's Hambletonian; dam Lady Shannon, by Harris' Hambletonian.

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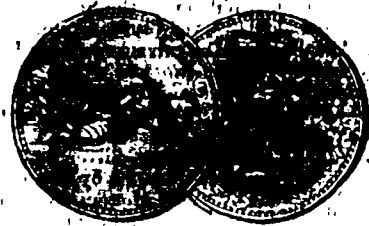
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